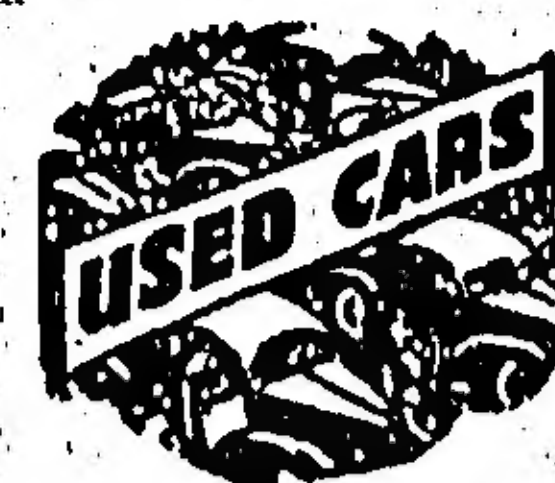


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ROOSEVELT'S TWO NEW POINTS TO PRINCIPLES FOR NEW WORLD ORDER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (UP).—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS TO-DAY SAID THAT ANY MAJOR OPPOSITION TO THE NEW WORLD ORDER OUTLINED IN THE ROOSEVELT-CHURCHILL EIGHT-POINT AGREEMENT WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO COMPROMISING WITH NAZISM.

"PERHAPS IT IS UNNECESSARY FOR ME TO CALL ATTENTION ONCE MORE TO THE UTTER LACK OF VALIDITY OF THE SPOKEN AND WRITTEN WORD OF THE NAZI GOVERNMENT," DECLARED THE PRESIDENT.

President Roosevelt's message in effect added two points to the eight objectives for the new World Order, namely freedom of religion and freedom of information. Declared the President, "It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes

the necessity of the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information. No society of the world organised under the principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive.

TEXT OF MESSAGE

Congress Told Of Eight Principles

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of President Roosevelt's message to Congress reporting on his conference with Mr. Winston Churchill is as follows:

"Over a week ago I had several important conferences at sea with the British Prime Minister. Because of the fact of safety to British, Canadian and American ships and their personnel, no prior announcements of these meetings could properly be made.

"At the close, a public statement by the Prime Minister and the President was made. I quote it for the information of Congress and for the record. (The President then quoted the material text of his joint statement with Mr. Churchill which was published in this paper on August 15).

"Congress and the President having heretofore determined through the Lend and Lease act on a national policy of American aid to the democracies which in the east and west are waging a war against the dictatorships, military and naval conversations at these meetings made clear gains in furthering the effectiveness of this aid.

Worth-While Goal

"Furthermore, the Prime Minister and I are arranging for conference with the Soviet Union to aid in its defence against the attack made by the principal aggressor of the modern world—Germany. Finally, a declaration of principles at this time presents a goal which is worth while for our type of civilisation to seek.

"It is so clear cut that it is difficult to oppose in any major particular without automatically admitting a willingness to accept a compromise with Nazism; or agree to a world peace which would give Nazism a dominant position over large numbers of conquered nations.

"Inevitably, such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take breath—armed breath—for a second war to extend control over Europe and Asia to the American Hemisphere itself. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the spoken or written word of the Nazi Government.

"It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes, of necessity, the world need for freedom of religion and the freedom of information. No society in the world organised under these announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are a part of the whole freedom for which we strive. (signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt."

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It is hoped that before noon to-morrow, the Bomber Fund will have reached the \$2,500,000 mark. A second donation of \$1,000 received this morning from "Q" reduces the amount needed to achieve this aim to \$7,231.66.

Reds Say Nazi Gains Have Cost Them 2,000,000 Men

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (UP).—Reviewing the fighting on the Eastern Front, M. Lozovsky, the official spokesman asserted that fierce fighting is going on in the direction of Odessa which is costing the Germans tens of thousands of lives.

Axis Moves In South Balkans

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Reports from a very reliable source give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Floridia, with Italian Staff Officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of the Maritza Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being the prelude to fresh Axis adventures in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

Vikings Take Wings Against Hitlerism

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—In a week or so, the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain will be ready to operate with the R.A.F.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world. The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force Staff Officer who escaped.

SUMMARY OF SOVIET WAR FRONTS

MILITARY COMMENTARY BY "ANALYST"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Germans to-day claim the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kherson. The Russian communique speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

The loss of Kherson was a foregone conclusion with the Germans over-running the lower reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port but could not be defended by improvised forces, especially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

Odessa A Tough Nut

On the other hand, the forces left behind in Odessa are fighting desperately and so far with success. It should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced. It will take some time for the German High

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LATEST

Nazi Threat To Turkey

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (UP).—The reports that fresh German troops as well as air units are moving into Bulgaria, coupled with the Italian activity in Thrace and the Aegean Islands has revived the belief of the possibility that the Germans will demand the passage of troops across Turkey, failing which Germany will attack Turkey.

Other developments supporting this belief are firstly, the growing evidence that the German offensive against Russia will drag on until winter without a decision. Reliable sources stressed the fact that about two months of good campaigning weather remains in Bulgaria and Turkey before the autumn rains bog the Russian roads with mud, hence, Hitler may try a diversion on a new front. Secondly, it is likely that the Iranian balloon will go up shortly.

Germany and Turkey: New Border Reports

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, Aug. 21 (UP).—Arrivals from Sofia to-day asserted without confirmation that German troops are concentrating on the Bulgarian-Turkish frontier, thereby causing speculation as to whether Germany has not abandoned her allegedly original plan to drive on India across Turkey. The impression exists that Germany's future plans are awaiting the outcome of the Russian campaign.

It is estimated that 200,000 German troops are in the vicinity of the frontier and that additional troop trains are arriving. Fresh materials are also arriving to reinforce and supplement the fortifications.

Diplomats arriving from the Balkans are of the opinion that if Turkey enters the war against

Germany, it might be a death blow to the German plans in the Balkans where the Slav elements are reported to be restless. They said that the Bulgarian Government particularly would be faced with the grave problem of the growing sympathy of the masses for Russia and the Slav cause.

It is reported that Rumanian forces

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Anglo-Russian Pact

The Anglo-Russian pact, which provides for military co-operation against Germany and no separate peace by either nation, was signed recently in Moscow. This, the first picture received in Hongkong, shows the British Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, signing the mutual aid pact, as Foreign Commissar Molotov and the Premier, M. Stalin watch.



JAPAN CONTROL OF INDO-CHINA

Southward Expansion Aims

(By "Reuter's" Special Correspondent)

SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (UP).—A responsible person who recently completed a tour of Indo-China and Thailand said that there was every indication of Japan's intention to pursue her southward expansion for a "co-prosperity sphere" despite American economic chastisement.

He said that the Japanese had virtually complete control of Indo-China and that they took over postal, telegraphic and press censorship on August 18 while radio communications were expected to be taken over a few days later.

German Appointment

The Hanol official information bureau was at present managed by a German woman who arrived in Japan prior to the outbreak of the Russo-German war and landed in Indo-China a fortnight before the last Japanese reinforcement of troops there.

The returned traveller said that the border demarcation commission which was originally to comprise ten each of Japanese, French and Thai, at present comprised ten French, 20 Thai and 50 Japanese. The commission was obviously using pressure on both Bangkok and Hanoi—threatening the former with the loss of her gains in the recent war and the latter with the remaining French administrative powers.

Thailand's Hopes

Thailand is still clinging to the slender hopes of complete neutrality although there is a definite tendency towards Japan because of the fear of her military force in the event of Thailand remaining adamant to the Japanese "Gestapo".

The recent changes were indicative of a tendency towards Japan although the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration definitely bolstered the anti-Japanese parties which was shown in the recent appointment of an anti-Japan

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Thailand Proclaims Neutrality

Appreciation Shown Of Assurances

BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, her own determination to try her best to adhere to the strictest neutrality and her preparedness to die for freedom were three guarantees of Thai's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to-day. Later the speech was translated into English, French, German, Italian and Japanese.

After reiterating the Thai policy adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen, including Mr. Anthony Eden and Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in case

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Ventilation For H.K. A.R.P. Tunnels

Fans, driven by a diesel petrol motor, and which are in design very similar to aeroplane blades, are now being installed to ventilate the Colony's A.R.P. tunnels. This was revealed in an official communique this morning, which added that good progress was being made towards the completion of the tunnels.

The fans will ventilate by sucking in the fresh air from one end of a tunnel and driving it out at the other.

It was also revealed that the local A.R.P. had just received from England a further dozen air raid post, two rescue and demolition squads and fire fighting parties dealing with incendiary bombs in operation.

The first aid picture consists of

Air Services Here To Be Increased

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (UP).—American and joint American-Chinese commercial air services in the Far East are expected to be increased shortly. Both the Pan-American Airways and Sino-American C.N.A.C. are expected to receive new planes to increase all services west of Manila.

It is reported that Pan-American is expecting four new S-43's to operate on the Manila-Hongkong-Singapore lines which are expected to enable the running of a twice-weekly service on those lines instead of fortnightly as at present. The C.N.A.C. is expecting six new Douglas D.C.-3's, three of which will be put in operation on all C.N.A.C. lines in China.

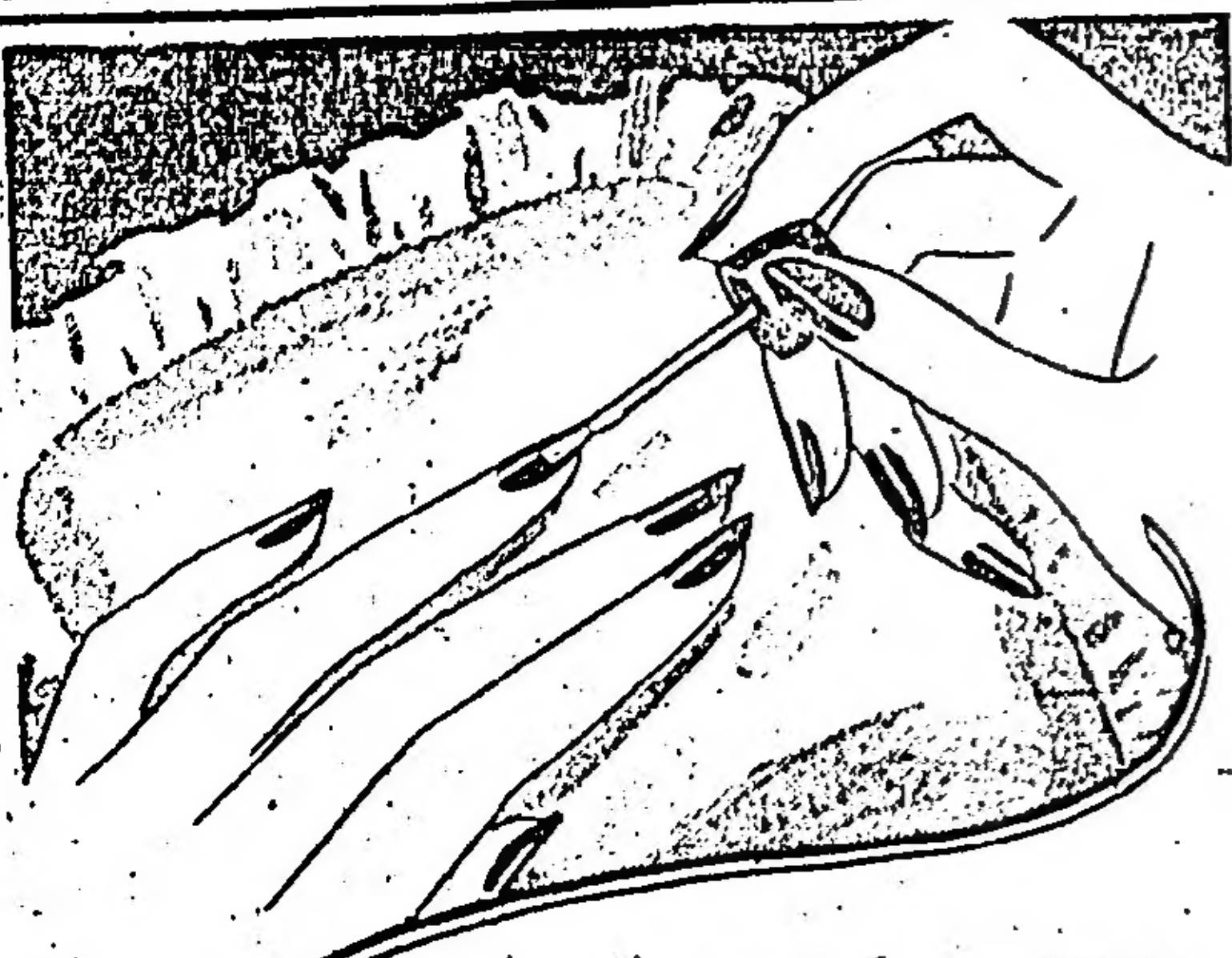
Her farewell words, as she firmly tied on her best bonnet were "If that 'tler thinks he's going to stop me from sleeping in my own bed, 'e's blooming well wrong."



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THE ACHILLES HEEL

THE latest news from Russia is not quite so encouraging as it was two weeks ago. The Germans have admittedly made distinct advances and gained certain strategic positions which must necessarily prove a correspondingly serious blow to the Soviet. But apart from this, little is known of what is actually happening on the 1,200 mile battle front. That the Soviet troops are retreating across the Dnieper may indicate that the German push is too powerful to resist, or it may mean that General Budenny is anxious to conserve his forces for later assault. He is well aware that the further the Nazis penetrate into the country the approach of winter will add to their difficulties and winter is now not far off along the greater portion of the Russian front. At the same time the actual strength of the two opposing armies is not known, and will probably remain conjectural until the final stages of the war.

It has always been conceded that Russia's weakness does not lie in the direction of manpower—the known population of the Union allows for this admission—but the actual armoured strength of the country or of its air force has never been divulged, and neutral observers are still forbidden to visit the fighting zone. Mr. Harry Hopkins, however, when in Moscow talked with Soviet leaders and unless their information was intentionally misleading, he must have received sufficiently reassuring data to encourage the sending of British and American aid to that country in large and increasing quantities. President Roosevelt, who probably have gained his information largely from Mr. Hopkins' report, expressed himself on his return to Washington from his momentous meeting with Mr. Winston Churchill, as satisfied that Russia could resist almost indefinitely. This is good news in the face of the Russian retreat which can, therefore, be more easily listed as a strategic move rather than a defeat.

Germany's strength, in spite of many statistics and expert opinion, is as unknown a quality as Russia's. It is said to be enormous and Hitler has the whole of Europe to

THE HISTORIC BATTLE OF EGYPT



Why We Shall Win By Philip Jordan

WHO WAS "NEWS-CHRONICLE" WAR CORRESPONDENT IN EGYPT

THERE is now being fought on Egyptian soil what may yet prove to be one of the decisive battles of the world. We shall win it.

But such a statement needs explanation, for it has none of the frivolity which characterises the utterances of the so-called "military spokesman" in Cairo. It is a serious statement, made with no wish to underestimate the gravity of the situation or to suppose for one second that it is of no importance that German mechanised units, handled by superbly trained soldiers, are now fighting on Egyptian territory from which the nearest enemy was more than 250 miles only a few short weeks ago.

We suffered a tremendous set-back. Let us admit that at once. But the situation, as this article will show, so far from being irredeemable, can and will be saved. Although the menace to Egypt has not been removed it has been immobilised. The true danger to our position in the Middle East and to our industrial interests to the east of the Suez Canal is from the air.

When the Germans advanced suddenly upon Benghazi in much greater force than our military intelligence over Egypt itself, but also from had expected their ultimate aim being able to range with was the naval base of Alexandria and bombers over the delta in the Nile delta. We can Mediterranean, where Germany take that for granted. If Alex has no ships to challenge our andria were captured Egypt naval superiority would immediately fall.

The Germans threw into Libya, at considerable risk, far heavier forces than were necessary to create merely a diversion sufficiently strong to draw about 750 miles of comparative north enough troops to prevent desert. An army forced to us either from completing the abandon the former and conquest of Italian East Africa charged with the duty of defence or from sending adequate military assistance to Greece.

What they launched against Egypt was a full-scale offensive, that is to say, an offensive built on a scale as large as they can operate with efficiency under conditions that from which a numerically smaller force is impossible to supply and worse equipped army really large numbers of rapidly moving troops with everything that they need.

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draw upon. But the question of oil consumption is one that may determine Germany's downfall. The extent of Hitler's resources in this respect signifies the extent of Germany's strength in armoured divisions. That but they can achieve little or nothing until Tobruk, the essential commodity is an acknowledged fact. It is also known that Germany cannot hope to obtain all her requirements from Rumania or from synthetic supplies. That the Nazi leader is straining every nerve to reach further supplies of oil is equally clear. If these supplies have been adequate, why did he invade Russia at this time instead of attacking Britain before her strength grows too formidable?

and infantry are probably the maximum number that could be put into the field without weighting the scales too violently on the side of certain defeat.

TO mount a desert operation a more finely adjusted balance between supply and demand has to govern the directing brain than is the case in warfare across inhabited territories. In desert war the land yields nothing to the soldiers who fight across its face.

Taken by and large, then, we may say that our troops have probably already felt the full weight of the enemy's attack. It may slacken, but it is unlikely to increase.

For the air no such correct estimate can be made. In London it is believed that the Germans have moved something like 1,000 aircraft—fighters, bombers and dive-bombers—into Southern Italy, Sicily and Tripoli.

British and Imperial pilots have long and valuable experience of desert flying, a circumstance which adds to their mastery of the air, for desert flying is altogether different from flying in Europe, which has so far been the sole training ground of the Nazis.

The main consideration is that this air superiority must be maintained if the Battle of Egypt is not to be in doubt. Not only must the enemy be prevented from free operation from free operation but also from had expected their ultimate aim being able to range with was the naval base of Alexandria and bombers over the delta in the Nile delta. We can Mediterranean, where Germany take that for granted. If Alex has no ships to challenge our andria were captured Egypt naval superiority would immediately fall.

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TOBRUK will take a lot of silencing. It may never be silenced; but in the meantime, so long as it holds out, it delays the attack proper on Egypt and thus gives us time to mass troops and equipment at Mersa Matruh, where our commanders may well choose to meet the enemy.

We hear stories of fierce fighting here and there. Fierce, no doubt, it is; but not important in the ultimate sense except so far as it continually tests the extended strength of the enemy; delays his arrival closer to Mersa Matruh, and makes it possible for the Navy to play in defence as sound a part as it played in attack last February.

The Navy is already in action, in fact. The annihilation of entire enemy convoys in the Mediterranean narrows is an indirect contribution of incalculable value to our land forces. In slightly smaller degree so is its successful bombardments of Port Cuzzo, where its well-placed shells have destroyed many enemy vehicles and inflicted a number of casualties.

Mersa Matruh itself is a strong fortress, aided not only by the ingenuity of man, but particularly by nature. This is no time to speak in detail of its artificial defences. If the Germans ever reach here they will no doubt learn something of them by bitter experience.

BUT its natural defences are such that an attacking force could not reasonably hope ever to by-pass it and go on towards the Nile delta. South of it, a little to the east, lies the great Kattara depression, a marsh hundreds of feet below sea level, hundreds of miles in

length. It is a natural tank trap with sides 600ft. high; and because it lies where it does there is only one way for an attacking army to reach Alexandria; and that is slap through Mersa Matruh itself. I do not think we need fear that. Rash it may be to prophesy; but I will say here and now that the only Germans who will go east of Mersa Matruh will go as prisoners of war.

If, then, you hear of fighting at Bug Bug, at Sidi Barrani, do not imagine for a second that all or much is lost. Mersa Matruh is the only place from which a defence can be mounted.

If we decide to counter-attack, of course, it may be that the Germans will never reach Mersa Matruh. But our generals alone know whether we are yet strong enough to take the offensive. Indications to date are that we will, for the time being, remain on the defensive; and that an attempt will be made to isolate the enemy from Europe.

DISAPPOINTING and discouraging as the news from Libya is, and as it will be for a time, we must not lose heart or criticise without the facts. When all these facts are made public we shall know for certain that Wavell was right not to have gone on to Tripoli. With the material at his hand he did wonders: he destroyed an army with a handful of men. And with that handful he destroyed an empire.

Schools' Reforms After War

The President of the Board of Education recently said that his Department had completed a report on the methods by which post-war educational reforms might be effected. He was speaking at the London conference of the Association of Education Committees.

"Our educational framework and machinery are old-fashioned already; after the war they will be obsolete," he said.

He suggested that the first great task might be to make senior elementary schools, secondary schools of it, a little to the east, lies the great Kattara depression, a marsh hundreds of feet below sea level, hundreds of miles in

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You never argue with me, Harold—no one would think we'd been married for years!"

Derailement Of Train And Bombs At Soochow

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (UP).—Amid report of increasing guerilla activity in the vicinity of Soochow, a Japanese military spokesman admitted to-day the derailement between Soochow and Kashiing—a branch line of the Shanghai-Nanking railway—of a mixed passenger and freight train at 5.15 p.m., resulting in two killed and 28 wounded.

The admission followed Chinese reports that the tracks had been removed causing the locomotive and four cars to overturn into the river.

The Japanese said that heavy rains had caused the lowering of the rail and the derailement.

It is recalled that a guerilla landmine blew up a freight train on Saturday night on the main line between Shanghai and Soochow.

Meanwhile, Chinese Press reports say that Soochow is blockaded for the second time in six months as a result of six bombs being discovered following the explosion of several bombs near the city wall on Monday night.

The Japanese closed all gates last week following a bomb explosion in a Japanese store, but the gates were opened on Saturday afternoon.

Bernhard Flies With Compatriots

Now Ready For Action

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited a Royal Air Force aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as leader of a training formation of nine machines, all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing the Prince said to 12 compatriots, "I am proud that thanks to the co-operation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the Netherlands East Indies."

"I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that you will all appreciate the facilities given you by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training."

AUSTRALIAN AID FOR SOVIETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CANBERRA, Aug. 21 (UP).—The Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies to-day stated that Australia is sending large shipments of supplies to Russia.

"Australia is engaged in affording all assistance to Russia so that she can obtain essential import requirements," Mr. Menzies declared.

Pacific Islands Claims

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—That the United States would view with concern and refuse to recognise any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific Islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at press conference to-day.

It is pointed out here that the Spratly Group in South China are now shown as Japanese possessions in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation. Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed jurisdiction in 1939 had been occupied by France in 1933 but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner. Annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings.

Illustrious Has New Commander

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—The aircraft-carrier *Illustrious*, which is in an American shipyard for repairs, will be commanded by Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, says a British press service.

Yesterday's announcement from London did not disclose the whereabouts of the *Illustrious*.

It will be recalled that the *Illustrious* was the main target of German and Italy dive-bombers on January 10 when British warships were escorting a large vital convoy to Greece. The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires aboard.

Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, the *Illustrious* reached Malta.

Lord Louis Mountbatten formerly commanded the destroyer *Kelby* which was sunk in the Crete campaign after fighting previously in a daring escape from destruction.

POLISH ARMY IS FORMING IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—An army of between 100,000 and 120,000 Polish soldiers is likely to be formed on U.S.S.R. territory, according to the present estimate of General W. Anders, newly-appointed Polish C-in-C in Soviet Russia, and General Szyzko-Bobus, Chief of the Polish Military Mission there.

It is reported from Moscow, where these Generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps would be raised among the former Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms.

Mr King On Harmony In Imperial Decisions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions at the Dominions Office this afternoon. He also called on Mr. Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists presided over by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met the visiting Premier at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Council.

Mr. King said he thought they had the most perfect and continuous conference of cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have.

It was essential to have an effective means of communication between different parts. "I have been in office many years and I say without hesitation that I cannot conceive a more effective means of communication than now exists," he added.

Direct Communication

As head of the government in Canada he received communications direct from Mr. Churchill and was also able to communicate with him. In addition communications came almost hourly from the Dominions Office giving a complete picture of what was taking place. Moreover the British High Commissioner in Canada received other communications which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

At all times but particularly in times of great emergency important decisions should be made not by one man but by the government as a whole. Under the present arrangements if a communication was addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Prime Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing Parliament and the people of Canada.

Consensus of Opinions

"It might seem" went on Mr. Mackenzie King "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed to-day through the Cabinets of Dominions is infinitely more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than other arrangements could possibly be."

He was present at the War Committee of the British Cabinet to-day. I would not be in a position on my own initiative to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa and through them with their armed services colleagues just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government. That would mean calling to the other side and getting work back before I could communicate.

"It is very much easier to give the Cabinet an opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all its phases and thus represent it to the Government here as a collective opinion."

Warm Relations

Mr. Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were to-day, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them. There had never been a single point of difference or any essential matter since the beginning of the war between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments.

In the last war differences arose continuously between the Governments and between the military and civil authorities. In this war there has not been any difference between the military and civil authorities or between the governments themselves. The reason for that was that before any important step had been taken, the Dominions had been consulted and had been able to express their view and the general consensus of opinion had been reached as a result.

Suez Canal Area Again Raided

CAIRO, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—A British G.I.Q. communiqué states that in the Tobruk area, heavy dust storms continue to limit our patrol activities.

In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid last night. A communiqué states that two were killed and 20 were injured and that there was slight damage to property.

Some Damage

NICOSIA, Cyprus, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Enemy planes raided Famagusta this morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property.

MYSTERY OF FRANCE'S RESERVES OF BULLION

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—"Where is the Bank of France's gold?" asks the "Financial News" to-day, commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserves of the Bank amount to 84½ milliard francs. This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German armistice. The question is how much of this gold is under the effective control of the Vichy authorities?

As is well known, a large amount transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by order of the Washington administration. Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which a substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar. Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold.

According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique, but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agreed to surrender part of its gold to Germany.

ROUND-UP OF 10,000 PARISIANS

Two Are Executed

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VICHY, Aug. 21 (UP).—It was disclosed to-day that 10,000 persons described as Jews were arrested in two Paris raids in which both the French and German police participated.

It is estimated that 40,000 Polish oppositionists have now been seized in the occupied and unoccupied zones.

The raids required five hours to complete and netted 4,000 in one haul and 6,000 yesterday. The majority of those arrested were taken to the concentration camp at Drancy.

Parisians Executed

VICHY, Aug. 21 (UP).—German authorities in Paris announced to-day that two Parisians have been executed for their Communist and anti-German activities as the first consequence of the Stulpnagel proclamation. The men were arrested last Sunday.

BOY SCOUTS IN HOLLAND DEFY NAZIS

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Dutch Boy Scouts are defying the Nazi ban making them members of an illegal organisation, and are holding meetings and camps, states "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The boys and their parents have been warned by the Nazi Commissioner-General for Public Security of the punishment that will be meted out to them if this continues. He states: "German Police patrols during July and August have noticed that Boy Scouts have been active. A camp was raided near Putten and 120 scouts were arrested. The boys resisted the German police who were compelled to use their arms. One 16-year-old Scout was wounded."

"The boys' parents share in the blame for the Scout movement defying the ban and if they do not stop their sons from stupid Scout activities, they will be arrested and some will be expelled from school."

Re-Organising Economic Life Of Syria

CAIRO, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—The Board of Trade regulation, issued yesterday permitting trade with Syria, is expected to help bring down the cost of living there.

One of the reasons for the present high costs in Syria is the fact that the Vichy regime left Syria short of essential supplies. The British and Free French authorities have now arranged for 5,000 tons of wheat to be delivered to Damascus at the rate of 150 tons a day.

The currency will remain stabilised at 8.83 which obviates the necessity for a black bourse.

Transport Questions

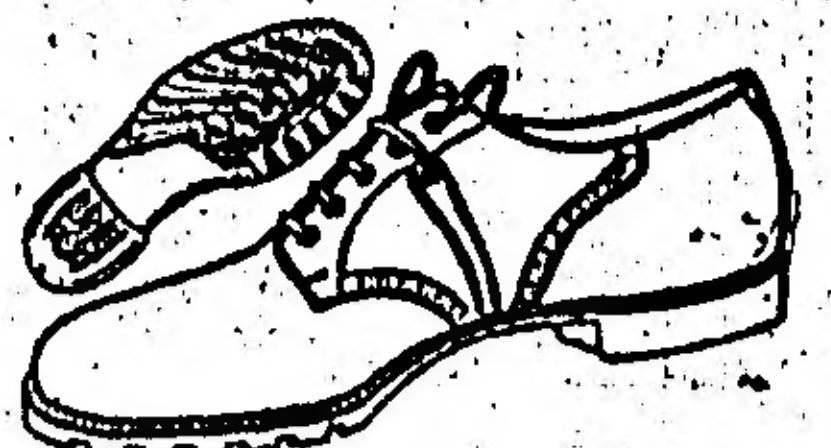
ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Mr. Horwill, the United Kingdom Consular Corporation representative in Baghdad, has arrived to discuss transport questions with the United Kingdom Corporation here.

During the past year, the Corporation has bought in Turkish pounds, £22,000,000 worth of goods from Turkey, including £7,000,000 worth of raisins, £3,000,000 worth of olive and £3,300,000 worth of mohair.

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Items Of Interest To Swimmers

Inter-Schools Gala At V.R.C. To-morrow



Start of the women's 100 yards breast-stroke at the Lai Tsun V.R.C. gala last Saturday. Mr. S. H. Wong is starting Miss Ko Miu-ling (the winner), Miss M. Noronha and Miss Lo Pokam—Ming Yuen.

Exhibitions By Champions To Encourage Youngsters

High Standard For Senior Girls' Competitions

(By "Tinker")

THOUGH GREATER SUPPORT may have been shown by the Schools, there were, nevertheless, a most encouraging number of entries for the inter-Schools gala arranged by the Victoria Recreation Club, and the finals will be held to-morrow evening at 5 p.m. at the latter's pool.

The early start is to accommodate those spectators who are desirous of attending the open air band concert on the Cricket Club ground later in the evening.

Competition promises to be very keen, for though times in the heats were nothing outstanding, and gave but slight promise of champions of the near future, the results generally show that the finalists are of a muchness that will tax the eyesight of the judges at the finishing line.

But from the girls will come the best competition, as regards standard, for in their ranks are included Miss Ko Miu-ling, the Lai Tsun star who will be swimming for the Ying Wah Girls' School, Miss Jackie Anderson, outstanding sprinter of the V.R.C. who will be turning out for the French Convent, Miss Celeste Gutierrez, V.R.C.'s most promising girl swimmer who will represent St. Mary's School, and Miss Tsang Fung-She, Lai Tsun breast-stroke representative who swims for the Bellios Public School.

The first three named are opposed in the 50 yards free-style, with any of them likely to win; the last three will appear in the 50 yards back-stroke, while Miss Tsang should have little difficulty in winning the 50 yards breast-stroke.

As encouragement to the youngsters, outstanding swimmers of the V.R.C. and the Colony will give exhibitions over their various events, which, with a running commentary, as scheduled, should be most instructive. In these events, A. K. Rumjahn, Colony back-stroke champion, will give a demonstration; Luis M. Remedios will give an exhibition of the "butterfly" stroke, and David Hutchinson, Colony sprint champion, will show his methods over 100 yards.

Added, Ed de Rosa and Lionel Rosa-Perera will appear in a fancy diving exhibition, which will follow immediately after the Senior Boys' fancy diving event. The students may learn much by contrast.

7. Girls' 50 yards breast-stroke—Tsang Fung-kwan (Bellios), C. Monteiro (St. Mary's) and Y. Yelle (French Convent).
8. Boys' Senior 100 yards back-stroke—Lo Ting-yue and Doona Blong-loy (St. Stephen's), A. V. Lopes and J. Gomes (La Salle) and Andrew Fong (St. Joseph's).
9. Boys' Junior 50 yards back-stroke—C. Gutierrez (La Salle) and Chow Kong-pui (Chung Wah).
10. Girls' 50 yards back-stroke—Tsang Fung-kwan (Bellios), C. Gutierrez (St. Mary's) and Y. Yelle (French Convent).
11. Demonstrations by A. K. Rumjahn (back-stroke), Luis M. Remedios ("Butterfly" stroke) and D. Hutchinson (free-style).
12. Girls' Diving—C. Gutierrez (St. Mary's), J. Anderson and Y. Yelle (French Convent).
13. Boys' Senior 220 yards free-style—W. Teo (St. Stephen's), D. Young (St. Joseph's), A. Sandberg, J. Rosa-Perera and A. V. Lopes (La Salle).
14. Boys' Junior 50 yards free-style—Wong Yen-kin, Chan Yen-tee and K. Thomas (St. Stephen's), W. Ribeiro and A. Marques (La Salle).
15. Boys' Senior medley relay (3 x 50)—D.S.S., St. Joseph's, La Salle "A", La Salle "B" and St. Stephen's.
16. Boys' Junior medley relay—La Salle and St. Stephen's.
17. Boys' Senior diving—Chang On and Ng Siu-hoo (St. Stephen's), D. Pomeroy (La Salle) and J. Anderson, Jr. (St. Joseph's).
18. Diving exhibition by L. Rosa-Perera and Ed de Rosa.
19. Boys' Junior free-style relay (4 x 50)—St. Stephen's, La Salle and Nam Wah.
20. Girls' free-style relay (4 x 50)—French Convent and St. Mary's.
21. Boys' Senior free-style relay (4 x 50)—D.S.S., St. Joseph's, La Salle and St. Stephen's.

THERE was once a runner who was training for the mile, and on all practice days would run about seven-eighths of the distance and then just drop into a walk, convinced in himself that he could finish just that extra little distance when the time made it necessary. Day after day he repeated his "training" and by the final day had got himself into the best of condition. But so had his competitors, and when it came to the actual race it was lost over that last eighth of a mile.

The moral of the story is "always finish the distance." Though the story has no bearing on Miss Lopes' case, had she but finished the distance in the 100 yards back-stroke in the Lai Tsun V.R.C. gala last Saturday night the result would have been a tie, instead of being one point in favour of Lai Tsun, the home team. But who could tell? Not one anticipated the justified disqualification of Celeste Gutierrez for a bad turn. However, highlights of the evening were the displays of the young Lai Tsun stars, Yau Sai-kwan and Lau Tai-ling in the 440 yards. The time was only one second off the Colony record established by Chan Chun-nam last year. Earlier rumours that this young star, Yau Sai-kwan, would offer Chan strong competition for the middle distance this year seem well founded.

Longest Match in U.S. Tennis History 102 Games In 4 Hours

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—The longest match in the history of the American national tennis championship was played at Brooklyn, Massachusetts, yesterday when Bryant Grant, the small but tenacious Davis Cup player, and Russell Eobbit, of Atlanta, beat Edwin Smith and Robin Hippinsteel, of California, after four hours.

Scores were 14-12, 15-17, 6-4, 4-6, 13-11.

Grant twisted his ankle in the second set.

League Tennis

Overwhelming Win For C.R.C. In 'D' Division

TWO MATCHES in the "D" Division of the Tennis League were played yesterday, Chinese R.C. trouncing Central British Association 5-0, and Post Office "B" beating the Jewish R.C. 5½-3½.

Scores were:

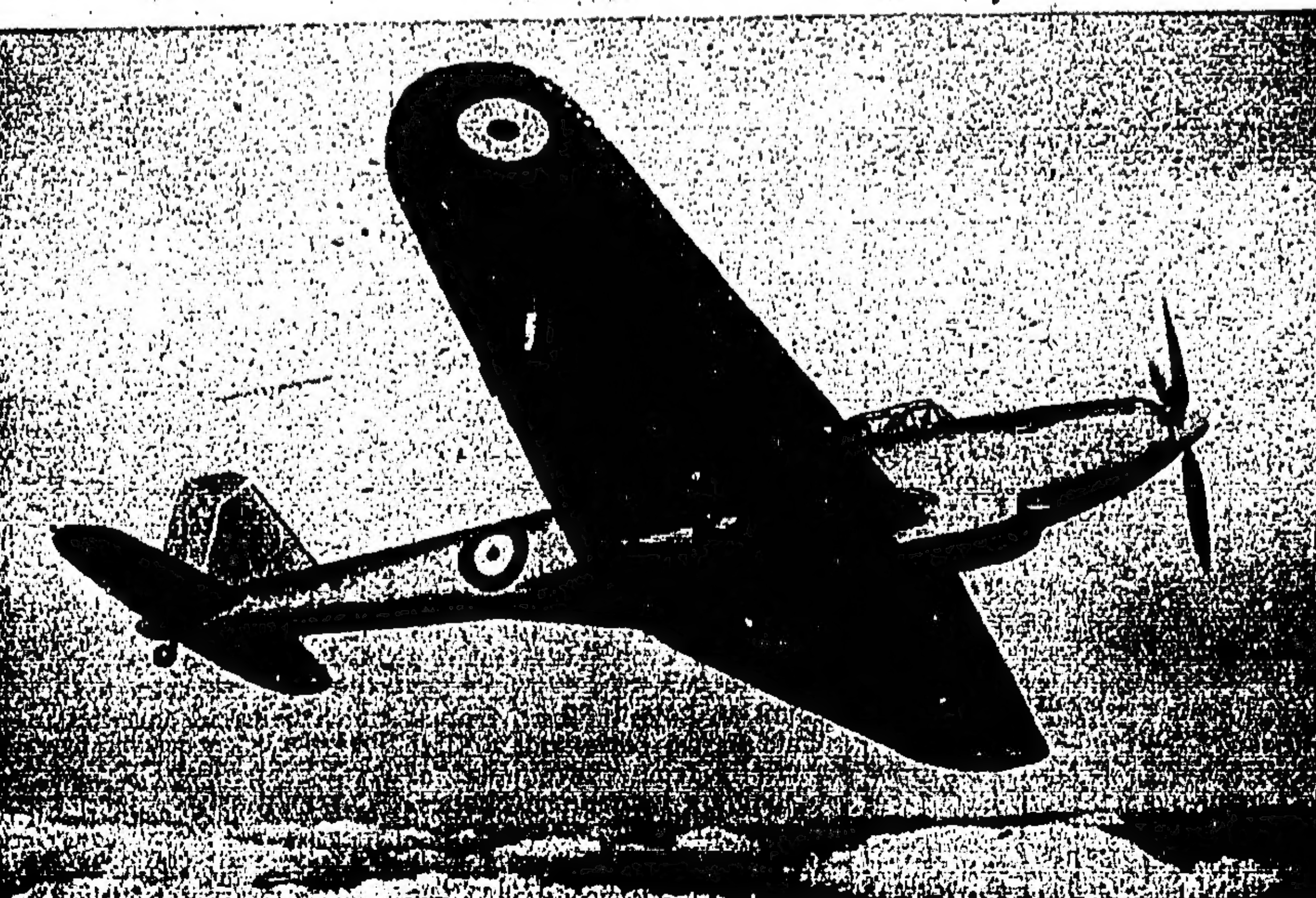
C.R.C. 5 C.B.A. 0

K. M. Wong and Lu Tak-lam beat D. Smith and T. Tomashevsky 6-2; beat S. Fowler and N. Smith 6-3; beat D. Bickford and N. Whitley 6-4.
T. F. Choi and C. N. Tsang beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-3; beat Fowler and Smith 6-3; beat Bickford and Whitley 6-3.
Chan Yu and Y.W.C. Hong beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-4; beat Fowler and Smith 6-1; beat Bickford and Whitley 6-1.

Post Office 5½ J.R.C. 3½

J. Howlett and W. Morrison beat S. Ramler and B. Godkin 6-3; beat A. Polak and M. Tain 6-3; beat E. Whitgob and A. Odell 6-3.
A. G. Macpherson and Y. S. Fung beat Ramler and Godkin 6-4; drew with Polak and Tain 6-6; beat Whitgob and Odell 6-3.
S. K. Chin and C.C. Chan lost to Ramler and Godkin 6-6; lost to Polak and Tain 6-6; lost to Whitgob and Odell 6-7.

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Lawn Bowls

Rosario And Landolt Win Pairs Match

A. E. P. GUEST AND T. A. MADAR suffered eclipse in the lawn bowls pairs championship when they met D. A. Rosario and J. S. Landolt at the Civil Service Cricket Club last night, the latter winning 20-17 after leading all the way.

The Craigengower pair included two 4's in their card, one on the 3rd and the other on the 8th, while the Kewloon C.C. combination registered one 4, this on the 17th end when Rosario and Landolt were seven shots ahead, 17-10.

Deciding Factor

Landolt was the deciding factor in the match. Of the leads, Guest had the slight edge over Rosario, but Madar had no reply to the deadly driving and accurate drawing of the Craigengower skip.

On several occasions the K.C.C. pair were lying the shots but Landolt as often as not was successful in disturbing the position and turn fortune in his favour.

Rosario and Landolt: 1, 0, 4, 1, 0, 0, 2, 1, 4, 0, 0, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 0 = 20
Guest and Madar: 0, 2, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 2, 0, 4, 0, 0, 1, 2 = 17

EUROPEAN "Y" WIN QUADRANGULAR AQUATIC GALA

EUROPEAN "Y" took honours in the Quadrangular swimming gala held at the Y.M.C.A. last night, beating the Royal Scots by 22½ points to 18, with Small Units, 15, and Middlesex, 12½, taking third and last placings.

The programme was very short, there being only six events, and the "Y" took first place in both 300-yard relay and the 50 yards sprint.

With a plunge that bettered second by over 10 feet, Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex) won the long plunge, and L/Cpl McReedy (Royal Scots) was first in the diving.

The water-polo game between Whites and Colours was drawn. Results were:
50 yards—E. F. Paul (Y.M.C.A.); 2. Big Four (Small Units); 3. Melville (Scots); 4. A. Smith (Middlesex). Time 55 2/3.
300 yards medley relay—Y.M.C.A. (N. D. Hooker, R. Maynard, G. Goldman, T. A. Roberts, W. S. Gegg, D. Hutchinson);

Nazis Seek Information

JANUSZ KUSCINSKI, Polish long-distance runner, who won the 10,000 metres race in the Olympic Games at Los Angeles in 1932, has been tortured to death by the Gestapo, according to news reaching Police circles.

Kuscinski, like many hundreds of other prominent citizens, was charged by the Germans with being connected with anti-German underground activities.

Although they had no proof, the Gestapo were determined to extract information from Kuscinski, who was tortured for several months before being put to death.

They first broke his legs which had brought him so many athletic victories in various parts of the world, and during a second "investigation" they broke his right arm and managed his right eye. Later, Kuscinski was thrown into a dark cell with practically no food or water and was periodically subjected to fresh tortures and third degree methods.

Would Not Tell

A fellow-prisoner who saw Kuscinski at this stage, stated that he looked like a broken old man, with a long white beard, and was practically blind and dumb.

He died later and his name has been added to the long list of martyred Polish patriots.

Throughout his ordeal Kuscinski refused to utter a word that might be of value to the enemy, says the report.

Kuscinski won the 10,000 metres race in 1932 in 30 mins 11.75 secs, which still stands as the Olympic record. The previous record was made by the great Finn, Paavo Nurmi, in the Games of 1928.

Kuscinski ran at White City, London, in 1934, and won the Harvey Memorial Cup—as the best athlete in the A.A.A. championship meeting of that year—for his victory in the three miles race in 14 mins 13.6 secs.

2. Scots 3. Middlesex. Signals and Combined Small Units were disqualified. Long Plunge—Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex) 60ft 7ins; 2. L/Cpl Bovan (Small Units) 48ft 6ins; 3. Lieut. Hunter (Scots) 40ft 2ins; 4. A. P. May (Y.M.C.A.) 41ft 2ins.
Diving—L/Cpl McReedy (Scots); 2. Cpl Dignan (Small Units); N. D. Bookar (Y.M.C.A.) and J. Hardy (Middlesex), 300 yards relay—L. Y.M.C.A. (D. Hutchinson, G. Saunders, E. A. Roberts, E. F. Paul, C. Goldman, R. Larsen); 2. Small Units; 3. Scots; 4. Middlesex.
Water-polo—Whites 4, E. F. Paul 4 v. Colours 4 (Dignan 2, May, Sutherland).

Water-Polo Tournery

Navy B beat 8th Coastal Regiment 5-1 in the water-polo tournament yesterday in the Navy pool.

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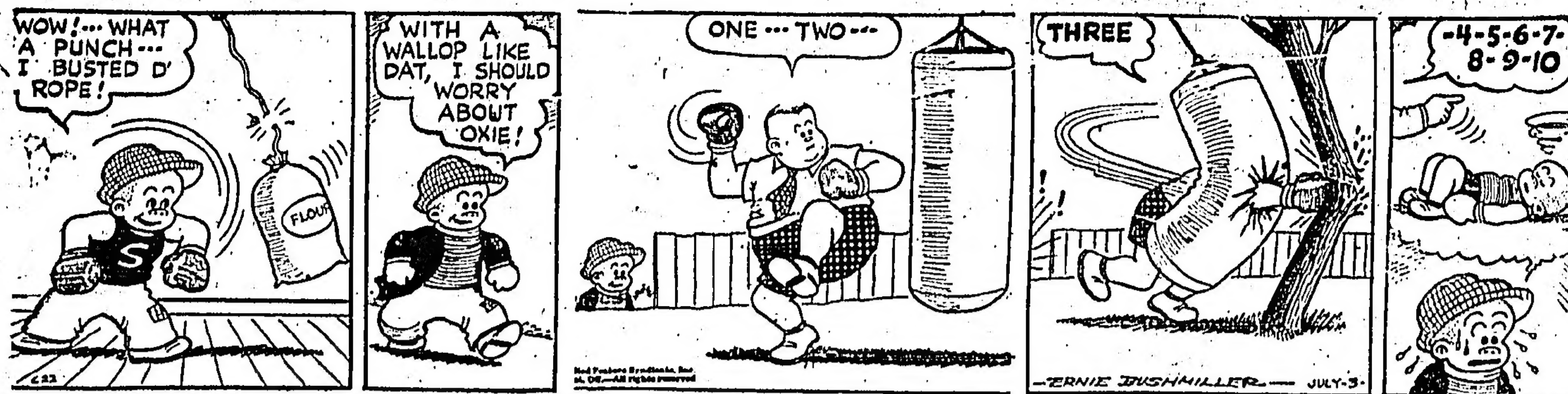
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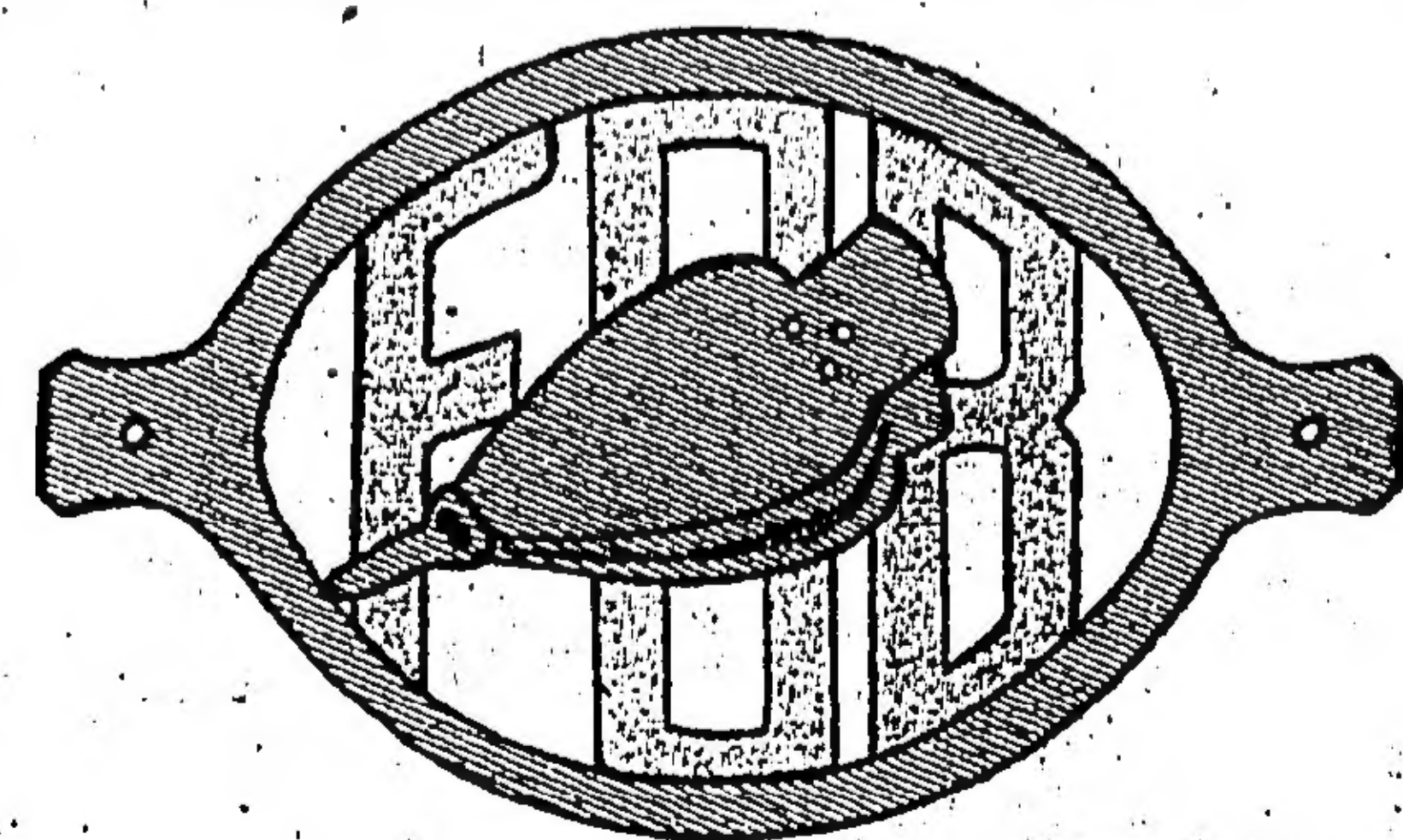
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'All The Rice In China' May Not Be Enough

CHUNGKING, (UP).—The newly created Ministry of Food is at present exerting all efforts to cope with the nation's most fundamental problem—the food problem.

"All the rice in China" may not be enough for the Chinese people. At least, passing it around is one of the hardest jobs in the world, with some of the key transportation arteries cut by the Japanese and with a war going on.

The Food Ministry faces a task of the utmost complexity because of the following factors:

1. There are no reliable statistics on production, consumption or storage of rice.
2. China's pre-war food imports have been cut off.
3. The Japanese control the Yangtze river up to Ichang, preventing inter-provincial equalization of supply and demand.
4. Currency depreciation and rice shortages cause hoarding and speculation, particularly on the part of landlords who receive rent in kind.
5. The government must purchase a huge amount of rice to feed a vast army and provide rice allowances for all government employees and minor officials to supplement their meagre wartime salaries.

Average Crop

The bumper rice crops of 1938 and 1939 had made it possible to defer tackling of the food problem, which is now brought to sharp focus by the poor crop of last year and prospects of only an average crop this year.

Major attention was centred on fertile Szechwan province, heart and core of unoccupied China's wartime economy, and hence the government wisely chose a Szechwan native, Hsu Kan, for many years Vice Minister of Finance, as Food Minister.

Hsu told the United Press the Ministry would first seek to facilitate transportation between areas producing more rice than they could consume and areas suffering from shortages. He said the Ministry would seek legislation empowering it to deal with hoarders and speculators and prohibit waste of grain.

The third step in Hsu's programme called for teaching the people to make wider use of food crops other than rice, and the fourth step, acquisition of all surplus grain (roughly meaning all grain above what actual growers need for food and seed) by the government.

Expecting Difficulties

Hsu admitted he was expecting many difficulties, chiefly in the matter of securing title to all surplus rice, which is ordinarily held by landlords and merchants.

A law effective Aug. 1 provides for the collection of the land tax in kind. Another provides for the issuance of "grain bonds," whereby the government borrows grain from holders under a promise to pay with interest in kind after two years.

Hsu has a long-range programme more far-reaching in scope. While there are no extraordinarily big landlords in China, such as those of Czarist Russia, there are a large number of "medium" landlords, to whom tenant farmers must pay most of what they raise as rent, according to the Food Minister.

Hsu declared that the fundamental policy of the Kuomintang must be

"Tillers to Own Their Land." He added, however, that this ideal must be approached gradually.

The second point of the long-range programme calls for an increase in rural production through the introduction of modern, scientific farming methods. The third point concerns control of surplus grain, and the fourth point concerns control of distribution, economy in consumption, and improvement in transportation.

Nazi Girls' Labour Camp Was No Lark

Helen Hiett, former NBC foreign correspondent who now broadcasts in the U.S.A., was interviewed recently by Joan Ellis over the radio on her experiences in a Nazi labour camp for girls.

Miss Hiett joined the labour camp in Berlin to get first-hand information on how the camps were run.

"We were up at 5 a.m.," Miss Hiett recalled, "washed by throwing pails of water on each other and at 6 a.m. were on the fields. The food was bad, mainly potatoes; although the Nazis would boast about how the girls gained weight while in these labour battalions. You had to gain weight, cause all you ate was potatoes."

"The worst thing though, and the reason I finally had to resign, was the propaganda. You'd get back to the bunkhouse at night just exhausted; too tired to sleep. While in this condition the propaganda would start."

"It would drum at you, from loudspeakers and speakers, and soon you'd find yourself believing it. You were tired, exhausted and couldn't fight it. It would creep into your subconscious mind."

"When I found myself repeating it, I got out."

Mary Anderson's 'Sunshine'

Mme Mary Anderson de Navarro—Mary Anderson, the Shakespearean actress—who died in May last year aged 80, left the bulk of her £15,870 estate to her son, Jose M. de Navarro.

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Reds Say Nazi Gains Cost 2,000,000

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small dams on the Dnieper but asserted that their efforts to destroy the tremendous one hundred million dollar dam near Dnepetrovsk for the purpose of flooding the lower Dnieper valley and thereby impeding the German advance had failed on account of the immensity of the structure.

The Germans claim that the Russian losses during the two months of fighting total 5,000,000 men. They asserted that the battle of Gomel on the north Ukrainian front has successfully ended after ten days of severe fighting in which it is claimed that they destroyed or defeated twenty five Russian divisions.

The German northern drive is following a semi-circular course towards Leningrad where Marshal Voroshilov has urged the people to "rise to a man and crush the insolent arrogant foe."

Dnieper Dam Report
LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—Authoritative sources after a thorough investigation to-day announced that there was no confirmation to the reports that the Russians had dynamited the Dnieper dam; consequently, there is no indication of the threatened flooding of that vast area between Zaporozje and the Black Sea.

Destruction of Warships
MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—M. L. Zolovskiy, Deputy Chief of the Information Bureau, denying German claims that they have captured an unfinished Russian battleship and other vessels at Nikolayev, said that the facts were that the unfinished and unengined battleship and a cruiser on the stocks were blown up by the Russians together with the shipyard.

Winter Campaign
BY "REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—German officers in Russia have received instructions from Berlin to tell the troops that the severity of the Russian winter is grossly exaggerated and that all the men need to withstand the rigours of winter is thick clothing plus valenki (Russian felt boots), which are to be taken from the peasants.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source, show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.

Berlin Raid
MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Russian planes raided Berlin last night, causing fires, says Moscow Red.

It is also stated that all Russian planes returned safely.

German Comparison
BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The official news agency claims that during the past five days the Luftwaffe shot down or destroyed on the ground on the eastern front 629 Soviet planes compared with the loss of ten German planes.

Thailand Proclaims Neutrality

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of unprovoked aggression on which ever side.

Change of Front
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Arrivals from the Thai border have remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which, until recently, was consistently belittling British strength in Malaya and Burma. However, the Tokyo Radio yesterday stated that 220,000 troops were standing at the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma.

Despite the most emphatic and clearest denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vilify the Thai atmosphere again and have put out "reports" that Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain.

Call To Be Ready
BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Bangkok Radio last night counselled Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventuality while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised that there was no change in the situation. Thailand did not face any danger of attack and he deprecated any attempts to sensationalise the precautionary advice. Nevertheless he urged the public to be prepared with shelters, dug-outs and black-out accessories and study methods of dealing with incendiary bombs.

Big Broadcasting Station For Macao

MACAO, Aug. 21.—It was learned to-day that the R.C.A. Manufacturing Company, Inc. have signed a contract with the Radio Clube de Macao for the erection of a new high powered broadcasting station. The transmitter, which is of the very latest design, will have an output of 5 KW on one channel, or alternatively two separate programmes can be broadcast simultaneously with a transmitter output of 2½ KW. on each programme.

The complete station will probably cost in the neighbourhood of \$200,000 and will include the erection of a new modern building which will have offices, club-rooms and three programmes and announce studios.

It is understood that the programme will be operated on commercial lines, similar to radio stations in the United States, and will include continuous broadcasts in English, Portuguese and Chinese over a period of 10 to 12 hours per day. It is also possible that transcription programmes from the National Broadcasting Company, which is affiliated with the Radio Corporation of America, will be broadcast, making available to Far East listeners some of the best of American and Latin American programmes.

Due to the fact that the new station will have approximately five times the power of the well known Shanghai and Manila shortwave stations, it is expected that listeners as far away as Timor, Goa and Mozambique will be able to pick up the broadcasts without difficulty. Later it is planned to install a directional antenna for direct broadcasts to Portugal.

Roosevelt's Two New Points

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American conference indicate clearly a new strategy of supply with Washington as the nerve centre.

British and United States production of being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result.

Taking In Russia
It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all three nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either regarding fighting or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose, but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated if necessary when the triplicate talks in Moscow begin.

JAPAN CONTROL OF INDO-CHINA

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ese and two Fascist-minded persons to positions.

A Big Voice
TOKYO, Aug. 21 (UP).—Colonel Mabuchi, Army spokesman in a Press interview to-day urged the people to give serious thought concerning the changing world situation and to prepare to make personal sacrifices. He said that Japan's influence today extends from the north of the continent down to Indo-China, and, therefore, "Japan is entitled to a big voice in the world war, and no nation will be able to do anything by ignoring Japan."

Comment On Axis
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The most outspoken Japanese comment yet made appeared in the Japanese-owned Singapore "Herald" as follows: "Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his own ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully."

Ranee Of Sarawak Returns To Her Home
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Lady Brooke, Ranee of Sarawak, arrived to-day by clipper. She is on her way to Sarawak after an absence of nearly two years, during which she has earned her own living in the United States.

Summary Of Soviet War Fronts

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Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of this magnitude.

Leningrad Pressure
Besides, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back to the north once again with Leningrad for the objective. This offensive is now in full swing but is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians have still room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful up to now, enabling them to absorb shock attacks without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

Near Final Stand
They are, however, getting very near the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. Then they will not be able to yield any further; but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows will not have lost much of their weight.

A new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of Gomel between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success but it is not yet clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastwards towards Moscow or south-eastwards so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

Distributed Strength
The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all the fronts at once. But this sector is undoubtedly one to which they attach the most importance as it is directed against Moscow, and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach which has so far defied all their efforts.

Germany & Turkey: New Border Reports

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will not go beyond the Bug river. Neutral diplomats at Bucharest estimate that 90 per cent. of the Rumanian people oppose the war against Russia and favour Rumania's falling out at the first opportunity.

Italy After Croats?
HELSINKI, Aug. 21 (UP).—The "Aften Bladet" Berlin correspondent states that it is unconformably learned from private sources that Italy sent an ultimatum to Croatia, marched in during the forenoon and occupied the towns of Dubrovnik and Kraljevo despite Croatian resistance.

Officials say that there is no confirmation to the rumour. The same sources, declared Italian circles in Berlin, believe that Mussolini will soon proceed to the eastern front to meet Hitler.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A call for President Roosevelt to propose and Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the "New Republic", one of America's foremost liberal weeklies.

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ROOSEVELT'S TWO NEW POINTS TO PRINCIPLES FOR NEW WORLD ORDER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS TO-DAY SAID THAT ANY MAJOR OPPOSITION TO THE NEW WORLD ORDER OUTLINED IN THE ROOSEVELT-CHURCHILL EIGHT-POINT AGREEMENT WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO COMPROMISING WITH NAZISM.

"PERHAPS IT IS UNNECESSARY FOR ME TO CALL ATTENTION ONCE MORE TO THE UTTER LACK OF VALIDITY OF THE SPOKEN AND WRITTEN WORD OF THE NAZI GOVERNMENT," DECLARED THE PRESIDENT.

President Roosevelt's message in effect added two points to the eight objectives for the new World Order, namely freedom of religion and freedom of information. Declared the President, "It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes

the necessity of the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information. No society of the world organised under the principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive.

TEXT OF MESSAGE Congress Told Of Eight Principles

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of President Roosevelt's message to Congress reporting on his conference with Mr Winston Churchill is as follows:

"Over a week ago I had several important conferences at sea with the British Prime Minister. Because of the fact of safety to British, Canadian and American ships and their personnel, no prior announcements of these meetings could properly be made.

"At the close, a public statement by the Prime Minister and the President was made. I quote it for the information of Congress and for the record. (The President then quoted the material text of his joint statement with Mr Churchill which was published in this paper on August 15).

"Congress and the President having heretofore determined through the Lend and Lease act on a national policy of American aid to the democracies which in the east and west are waging a war against the dictatorial, military and naval aggressions at these meetings made clear gains in furthering the effectiveness of this aid.

Worth-While Goal

"Furthermore, the Prime Minister and I are arranging for conferences with the Soviet Union to aid in its defence against the attack made by the principal aggressor of the modern world—Germany. Finally, a declaration of principles at this time presents a goal which is worth while for our type of civilisation to seek.

"It is so clean cut that it is difficult to oppose in any major particular without the national policy rather than just the administration policy, with Nazism; or agree to a world peace which would give Nazism a domination over large numbers of conquered nations.

"Inevitably, such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take breath—armed breath—for a second war to extend control over Europe and Asia to the American Hemisphere itself. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the spoken or written word of the Nazi Government.

"It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes, of necessity, the world need for freedom of religion and the freedom of information. No society in the world organised under these announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are a part of the whole freedom for which we strive. (Signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt."

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Reds Say Nazi Gains Have Cost Them 2,000,000 Men

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (UP).—Reviewing the fighting on the Eastern Front, M. Lozovsky, the official spokesman asserted that fierce fighting is going on in the direction of Odessa which is costing the Germans tens of thousands of lives.

RUSSIANS ABANDON GOMEL

Latest Communiqué

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The following is the text of the communiqué issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 10.40 p.m. G.M.T.:

"In the course of August 21, our troops waged stubborn battles with the enemy along the whole front, especially fierce in the direction of Kingisepp, Novgorod and Gomel. After heavy fighting, our troops evacuated Gomel.

"According to incomplete data, in the course of air combats, 21 German aircraft were brought down. We lost 12.

"In the afternoon of August 20, five German scouting planes were brought down by our fighters on the approaches to Moscow and not three as previously reported."

Germans Said Within 13 Miles of Leningrad

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Dome).—The Stockholm Radio quoting the Berlin correspondent of the "Afton-bladet" reported that the Nazi troops advancing via Gatchina reached 13 miles south of Leningrad.

Redoubled Fury

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—On the southern front, the Germans with redoubled fury continued their drive on Odessa throughout yesterday and last night. German bombers and Stukas continued to pound the Soviet TURN to Back Page, Column 4

"Odessa is neither a Dunkirk nor a Tobruk," declared the spokesman, adding that the Germans are nowhere near Kiev. "We are realistic politicians and we realise that the expiring Fascist beast can inflict several more severe blows; that danger remains as evidenced by the ardent and patriotic proclamation signed by Marshal Voroshilov regarding Leningrad," said M. Lozovsky.

2,000,000 Casualties
The spokesman appraising the German successes said that the Nazis had suffered two million casualties including more than half killed. "Humanity has not known a war during which such a short period an army has suffered similar tremendous losses."

He asserted that after two months, Hitler has seized a small part of Soviet territory, but without food reserves and he had found ruined cities and villages, exploded plants, a guerilla movement and the hatred of all sections of the occupied regions.

War Summarised
NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (UP).—The fighting between the Russians and the Germans has been intensified. Berlin claimed that staggering blows have been inflicted on the Red army at both ends of the front and said that the Nazis are driving against the "immediate defences" of Leningrad.

Moscow asserted that Marshal Budenny has succeeded in withdrawing 500,000 men to the eastward across the Dnieper river and that the German losses in the Ukraine fighting were three to one over the Russian losses.

Small Dams Dynamited
Berlin admitted that the Russians had successfully dynamited several TURN to Back Page, Column 3

SUMMARY OF SOVIET WAR FRONTS

MILITARY COMMENTARY BY "ANNALIST"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Germans to-day claim the capture of Narva, Novgorod and Kherson. The Russian communiqué speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novgorod.

The loss of Kherson was a foregone conclusion with the Germans over-running the lower reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port but could not be defended by improvised forces, especially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

Odessa A Tough Nut

On the other hand, the forces left behind in Odessa are fighting desperately and so far with success. It should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced. It will take some time for the German HIGH TURN to Back Page, Column 4

Foreigners Evacuate Moscow Arrive In Tokyo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 22 (Dome).—A group of eight American and British evacuees arrived here yesterday en route to America, but they are apparently joining local would-be foreign evacuees stranded due to the lack of transport facilities. Weary and dusty from their night-long and daylong rail trip from Tsuruga on a circuitous route through northern Japan, the group immediately took baths and rest in the Imperial Hotel. The round train journey was necessitated because the usual line is at present overcrowded. They found themselves virtually devoid of clothing since luggage was delayed en route making changes unavailable to-night. The party included Mrs. Neola Mogiloff, wife of the "Associated Press" correspondent at Moscow, and Mr. H. R. Habicht, former "United Press" correspondent at Moscow, with his wife and children.

Serious Nazi Threat To Turkey Reported

Special to the "Telegraph"

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (UP).—The reports that fresh German troops as well as air units are moving into Bulgaria, coupled with the Italian activity in Thrace and the Aegean Islands have revived the belief of the possibility that the Germans will demand the passage of troops across Turkey, falling which Germany will attack Turkey.

Other developments supporting this belief are firstly the growing evidence that the German offensive against Russia will drag on until winter without a decision. Reliable sources stressed the fact that about two months of good campaigning weather remains in Bulgaria and Turkey before the autumn rains bog the Russian roads—with mud, hence, Hitler may try a diversion on a new front. Secondly, it is likely that the Iranian balloon will go up shortly.

New Border Reports

ISTANBUL, Aug. 21 (UP).—Arrivals from Sofia to-day asserted without confirmation that German troops are concentrating on the Bulgarian-Turkish frontier, thereby causing speculation as to whether Germany has not abandoned her TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Anglo-Russian Pact

The Anglo-Russian pact, which provides for military co-operation against Germany and no separate peace by either nation, was signed recently in Moscow. This, the first picture received in Hongkong, shows the British Ambassador, Sir Stafford Cripps, signing the mutual aid pact, as Foreign Commissar Molotov and the Premier, M. Stalin watch.



JAPAN CONTROL OF INDO-CHINA

Southward Expansion Aims

Special to the "Telegraph"

SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (UP).—A responsible person who recently completed a tour of Indo-China and Thailand said that there was every indication of Japan's intention to pursue her southward expansion for a "co-prosperity sphere" despite American economic chastisement.

He said that the Japanese had virtually complete control of Indo-China and that they took over postal, telegraphic and press censorship on August 18 while radio communications were expected to be taken over a few days later.

German Appointment

The Hanoi official information bureau was at present managed by a German woman who arrived in Japan prior to the outbreak of the Russo-German war and landed in Indo-China a fortnight before the last Japanese reinforcement of troops there.

The returned traveller said that the border demarcation commission which was originally to comprise ten each of Japanese, French and Thais, at present comprised ten French, 20 Thais and 50 Japanese. The commission was obviously using pressure on both Bangkok and Hanoi—threatening the former with the loss of her gains in the recent war and the latter with the remaining French administrative powers.

Thailand's Hopes

Thailand is still clinging to the slender hopes of complete neutrality although there is a definite tendency towards Japan because of the fear of her military force in the event of Thailand remaining adamant to the Japanese requests.

The recent Cabinet changes were indicative of a tendency to favour appeasement although the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration definitely bolstered the anti-appeasement parties which was shown in the recent appointment of an anti-Japan TURN to Back Page, Column 4

Thailand Proclaims Neutrality

Appreciation Shown Of Assurances

BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, her own determination to try her best to adhere to the strictest neutrality and her preparedness to die for freedom were three guarantees of Thai's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to-day. Later the speech was translated into English. (French, German, Italian and Japanese.)

After reiterating the Thai policy adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen, including Mr Anthony Eden and Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in case TURN to Back Page, Column 3

Air Services Here To Be Increased

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (UP).—American and joint American-Chinese commercial air services in the Far East are expected to be increased shortly. Both the Pan-American Airways and Sino-American C.N.A.C. are expecting to receive new planes to increase all services west of Manila.

It is reported that Pan-American is expecting four new 5-43's to operate on the Manila-Hongkong-Singapore lines which expected to enable the running of a twice-weekly service on these lines instead of fortnightly as at present. The C.N.A.C. is expecting six new Douglas D.C.-3's, three of which will be put in operation on all C.N.A.C. lines in China.

S'hai Police Fire On Mob: One Man Killed

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (UP).—One was killed and three injured when police fired into a mob of strikers demonstrating on the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf late last night. A police riot squad dispersed the mob after making a number of arrests.

When the police party arrived at the wharf to disperse 300 striking Chinese wharf coolies, the Chinese turned on them with crow bars and hurled stones at the officers. The police in order to save themselves from serious injuries and possible death, fired seven shots over the heads of the mob and also into them, killing one and wounding three. Two foreign police officers were hurt, one suffering a dislocated shoulder and bruises, while Detective-Sergeant C. W. Krade suffered bruises and cuts. The coolies are striking for higher pay.

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1. Symphonic Studies (Schumann); 2. Legend—St. Francis Paulus Marching On The Waves (Liszt); 3. (a) At Evening (Ludw. Schute); (b) By The Cradle (Edw. Grieg); (c) Etude in C (Cyril Scott).

9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 An Hour of Variety Requests.

Vocal—Perhaps (From film "Nice Girl" Franchetti); Deanna Durbin with Orchestra; Voss (From film "Hush") Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra; Waltz—Roses From The South (Strauss); Mark Weber and His Orchestra; Vocal—Too Romantic (From film "The Road to Singapore") Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Vocal—Mexican Rose (Helen Stier) Jack Torney; Bing Crosby with Orchestra; Vocal Gems—Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs—Selection; Jay Wilbur and His Orchestra; Vocal—I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis, Ager, Santley); Anne Shelton with instrumental accompaniment; Humorous—Golf Claviers and Dwyer (The Radio Favorites); Vocal—Two Dreams Met (From film "Down Argentine Way"); Kenny Baker with Orchestra; Vocal—America, I Love You (Edgar Leslie—Archie Gottler); Barry Wood (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).

9.45 Variety Requests (Continued).

Vocal—Down By The Old Mill (Qlman, Yellen); The Andrews Sisters with Orchestra; Orchestral—Girl Of The Golden West—Selection; Antonio and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra; Vocal—Old Folks At Home (From film "Nice Girl") S. Foster; Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Request Dance Music.

Quick Step—The Ferry Boat Serenade; The New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Keep An Eye On Your Heart; Joe Reichman and His Orchestra; Samba—I, Yi, Yi, Yi, Yi; Leo Reisman and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—South Of Pago-Pago (From the film); Ray Kinney and His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors; Fox-Trot—Only Forever (From film "Rhythm on the River"); Billy Cotton and His Band; Tango—They Met In Rio; Rumba—Chica Chica Boom Chica (Both from film "They Met In Rio"); Leo Reisman and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Chatterbox (From film "That's Right, I'm Wrong"); Ambrose and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade; Roy Smek and His Hawaiian Serenaders; Fox-Trot—I Love A Lassie; Music in the Russian Morgan Manner; Fox-Trot—You Lucky People You (From film "Road To Zanzibar"); Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—I'll Never Smile Again; Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Swing Fox-Trot—Star Dust; Coleman Hawkins; Fox-Trot—Lights Out; Little Jack Little and His Orchestra.

11.00 London—Makers of History.

A Talk by Desmond MacCarthy on the "Duke of Wellington".

11.15 Close Down.

DONATIONS TO BOMBER FUND

Yesterday's donations to the Bomber Fund were headed by a generous second donation of \$1,000 from Messrs B. J. David & Co., Ltd. The "V for Victory" labels again recorded a total of \$2,401,768.24, the following being the latest donations:—
S. David & Co., Ltd. (second donation) \$1,000
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The "V" badges supplied through the Shanghai Royal Air Force Association have been sold out, but cables have been despatched requesting further supplies.

Free French Promotions In Syria

DAMASCUS, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A number of important promotions in the Free French army in the Levant have been made by General Charles de Gaulle, Commander-in-Chief of the Free French forces.

They include promotion to the rank of General of Colonel Collet, at present Commander of the Damascus garrison and delegate of Free France to the Syrian Government; Colonel Monclard, Governor of Jebel Druze; and Colonel Vallin, head of the Free French Air Force.

Colonel Collet was one of the first high French officers to go over to the Free French forces. He is the creator of the famous Circassian Legion.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$.....1,390 b.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....78 n.
Chartered Banks \$.....9 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....23 1/2 n.
Mercantile C. \$.....11 1/2 n.
East Asia \$.....70 n.

INSURANCES
Canton Ins. \$.....22 1/2 b.
Union Ins. \$.....410 b.
China Underwriters \$.....50 n.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$.....185 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$.....120 n.
Steamboats \$.....8 1/2 b.
Indo-China P. \$.....80 n.
Indo-China D. \$.....70 n.
Shell (Reuters) \$.....50 n.
Waterboats \$.....0.55 n.

DOCKERS ETC.
Wharves \$.....91 n.
Docks \$.....0.15 sa.
Providents \$.....16 sa.
Shai Dockyards \$.....20 1/2 n.

MINING
Kailan \$.....13 1/2 n.
Rauha \$.....7 1/2 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....2 cts n.

LANDS
Hotels \$.....3.05 s.
Lands \$.....x.d. 35 n.
Lands 4% Debentures \$.....0.7 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh. \$.....20 n.
Humphreys \$.....7 n.
H.K. Realities \$.....101 b.
Chinese Estates \$.....30 b.

UTILITIES
Trams \$.....17 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/2 n.
Star Ferries \$.....51 n.
Y. Ferries \$.....22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....5.95 b.
China Lights (new) \$.....1.30 b.
H.K. Electric (old) x. rts. \$.....22 sa.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....21 1/2 b.
H.K. Electric Rts \$.....11 1/2 n.
Macao Electric \$.....18.50 b.
Sandakan Lights \$.....12 1/2 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....6 1/2 b.

INDUSTRIALS
Cald; Mag. (Ord.) Sh. \$.....30 n.
Cald; Mag. (Pref.) Sh. \$.....23 n.
Canton Ices \$.....1 n.
Cements \$.....15 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....9 n.

STORES, &c.
Dairy Farms \$.....18 1/2 n.
Watsons \$.....14 n.
Yane Crawford \$.....0.45 n.
Sincere \$.....2 1/2 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....39 n.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. x.d. \$.....1 1/2 n.

COTTON MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$.....37 1/2 n.
Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....305 n.

HOSE
H.K. Govt 4 1/2% (1934) \$.....96 b.
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Ch. Govt 5% 1925 C.S.Bds. \$.....42 n.
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Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Shanghai	400
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	102 1/2 n.
T.T. India	0.25
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	40 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	148
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	105
T.T. Switzerland	105
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/2

BUYING.	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/2
4 m/s France	105
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

RAIDS ON N. FRANCE

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Blenheims of the Bomber Command, escorted by fighters, bombed iron and steel works at Ijmuiden in Holland and railways and industrial targets in Northern France to-day.

Coastal Command aircraft with a fighter escort attacked enemy shipping off the French coast in a daylight sweep.

Direct Hits
LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command have carried out three attacks on enemy occupied territory to-day, states an Air Ministry communique. In each of them they were escorted by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost.

Attacks were made on the iron and steel works at Ijmuiden in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on rolling mills and other parts of the works.

In two other offensives carried out over Northern France, industrial targets and railways communications in the St Omer and Bethune areas were bombed.

Our Fighter Losses
The fighter escort fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters, one of which was destroyed. "E-bombs" in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machinegun fire.

Fourteen of our fighters are missing, but one of the pilots is safe. Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. No aircraft were lost in this operation.

Enemy Bomber Down
LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—R. A. F. fighters shot down an enemy bomber into the sea off the east coast of England shortly before dusk this evening.

MANUFACTURE OF MUNITIONS IN AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Munition workers in Australia are now estimated at 200,000—Some 90,000 more than the Government expected a year ago.

Announcing this, Mr. P. A. McBride, Minister of Munitions, said that the number employed on the Government pay-roll is expected to be doubled this financial year.

Excluding the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation and the principal dockyards Government-owned factories are now employing 50,000 operatives compared with 24,000 a year ago and 11,700 before the war.

Trade Sanctions On Japan Are Intended To Punish

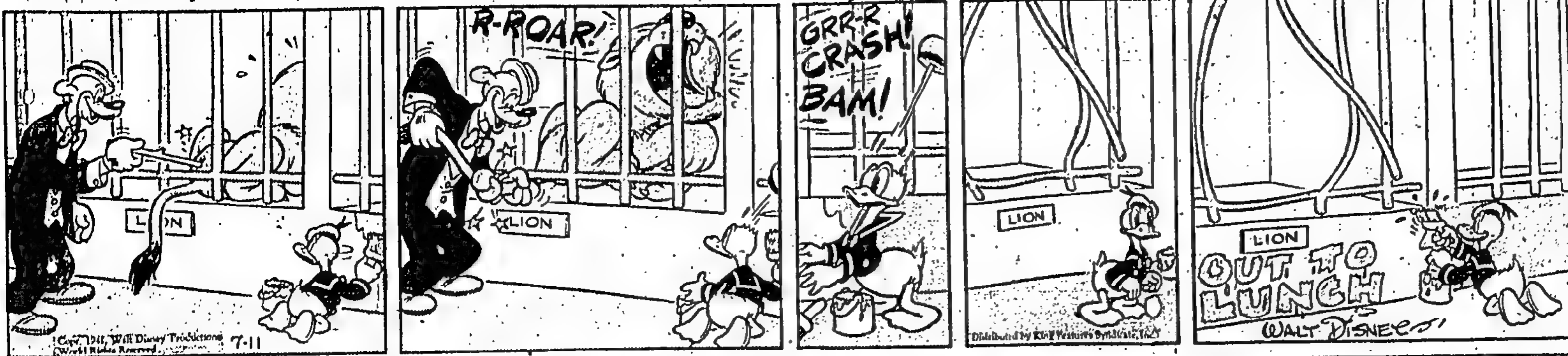
LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The "Manchester Guardian," in a leader on the possibility of trade licensing between Britain and Japan, states: "If when the freezing of Japanese assets was announced it was intended to allow a certain amount of trade to pass by way of granting licences, it would only be natural to make arrangements to finance it. But that was certainly not what the public understood these sanctions to mean. They were imposed on account of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China.

"Clearly, if economic counter-measures are to serve any purpose, they must hurt. Substantial concessions might weaken that purpose without removing the irritation caused by the general principle. That such concessions are being considered has so far been suggested mainly from Japanese sources. This is denied in London though not as firmly as could be desired.

Govt Explanation
"One Government authority last night asserted that the arrangements would cover only a few thousand pounds designed mainly for payment of diplomatic and consular expenses. Another department on the night before at least suggested clearing accounts being inaugurated upon here and in other parts of the Empire for the financing of any mutual trade that might be officially approved. Licences, said this statement, would be granted only within the limits of the funds available on the clearing account.

Use of Loopholes
"Undoubtedly the Japanese may well desire to make the greatest possible use of any loophole so that they can replenish their stocks. If they have been given the impression that the present arrangement might be shaped into a thin wedge, they should be quickly disillusioned. Any suggestion that trade licences might be granted on financial grounds or even grounds that certain materials are of no use in our war effort

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By Walt Disney

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RADIO'S ROVING SPOTLIGHT

It May Pick You Out One Day

By JANE ALLISON

Every Saturday afternoon in London eight people meet together at a tea party. None of them have met before, probably none of them will meet again. They are the people who make up a programme known to millions of listeners throughout the world—"In Town To-night."

Perhaps one day you will be one of those eight people. You may come to London with a story you would like to tell the world about your job and your experiences. If you ring up or write to Mr. Meehan or Miss Clark of the B.B.C., and if they think the world would like to hear your story, they will be delighted to arrange for you to come to the microphone and tell it.

"In Town To-night" was started about seven years ago and immediately caught on as one of the most popular radio features, both at home and overseas. It was like a shaft of limelight ranging over a vast crowd of men and women of all types, ages, and professions, picking out a face here and there and illuminating it in the eyes of the whole world.

They Find Themselves

How does the British Broadcasting Corporation set out to find these people? More than half of them find themselves. They write in or ring up saying they would like to talk or be interviewed, and each case is carefully considered on one thing only—its interests to the listening world. A peer may be politely turned down, a charwoman, with personality and a good story, warmly welcomed. People of every type apply, from opera singers to match-sellers, and a glance at the files would reveal one of the strangest collections of occupations imaginable. You may find, in a typical programme, a woman who minds barrows in Covent Garden, a Spanish dancer, a missionary, a boxer, a mayores, and a postmistress from the Falkland Islands.

You will also perhaps discover some professions that may surprise you; for example a London blacksmith. You may ask what is a blacksmith doing in London? The answer is, he is farrier to the hundreds of horses employed by one of the great railway companies.

Did you know that there was such a thing as a professional safe-breaker? He has had many offers to join other

professional safe-breakers who prefer to remain anonymous, but this one finds that one can make a good living out of legitimate safe-breaking. Sometimes a combination gets lost, sometimes it is desirable to have it changed and then the expert has to be called in. Since the war, he has been extra busy, breaking safes in bombed buildings, and often with an unexploded bomb in the neighbourhood. Once four of his men were accidentally shut in a safe but they were not worried as they knew that he would get them out in the end, and anyway they were being paid by time and not piecework.

Grass As Food

Sometimes it is not a profession that gives the speaker a special interest, but a hobby or even a peculiar way of life. The biggest fan-mail comes to a man who has discovered that grass suits him very well as a food and who lives principally upon the clippings from golf courses and tennis courts. He was so popular that he has appeared several times 'by request' in "In Town To-night."

Very often—a programme

B.B.C. and caught Mr. Filbey just as he was putting on his coat to leave the building. They found they had met before, they arranged to dine together that night and in a few months were married. The wasp and the B.B.C. both shared the honours of having brought them together. Later on Mr. and Mrs. Filbey both appeared in "In Town To-night" and did a joint talk about their adventures together.

Scouts Go Out

Apart from people who write in and suggest themselves, two scouts are always busy all over England and hunting up likely prospects. Before the war they used often to take a recording van out into the streets, and hiding themselves, watch for likely people to come and broadcast impromptu. They would hide and wait for their victims with the patient genuinity of bird-watchers. Had they openly displayed the microphone, they would have attracted a crowd and been moved on by the police.

Since the war it is of course impossible to let people come straight to a microphone in the street. Censorship cannot allow people to say just what comes into their heads in case they unknowingly give away information that might be useful to the enemy. So now the scouts, having made contact with likely people, must arrange for a script to be written and vetted before



In Town To-night

Pictureque personalities gathered for the famous B.B.C. programme "In Town To-night" attend a Saturday afternoon tea party in an underground studio in London prior to broadcasting. Left to right: Roy Rich, interviewer, Kathleen Heppell, accompanist, all "In Town To-night" singers at the piano; S. Josef Sheppard, the Canadian Balladist; P. F. Meehan, producer of Western programmes; Miss Canadian Balladist; P. F. Meehan, producer of Western programmes; Miss Joan Clark, assistant producer; Fred Gurr, Post Office Salvage official, awarded the Empire Medal for bravery; S. C. Roy, took a party of Indian technicians for training in England; Miss M. McCall, secretary to C. F. Meehan; Miss Osborne; Alan Keith, script writer.

the speaker actually broadcasts.

Hitler's Wrong

You who listen to "In Town To-night" may not always know in what dramatic circumstances the broadcast is being made. Often the people you hear have come to the studio during a blitz, braving bombs and shrapnel rather than let down the show.

Not long ago an old lady from the East End who works in Covent Garden market came up to do her bit in

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

The Control-losing Finesse

An Expert's dislike of finesse is not based on his aversion to losing a trick here and there. A lost finesse, he realizes, may be a more serious matter than one trick—it may be control of the entire hand! Note to-day's deal.

East dealer.

Both sides vulnerable; East-West 00 part-score.

♠ 874
♥ 83
♦ 9853
♣ A1074

♠ KJ109
♥ J872
♦ 10742
♣ 9

♠ 53
♥ Q109
♦ AKQJ
♣ KQ62

♠ AQ62
♥ AK54
♦ 6
♣ J863

The bidding:
East 1♠ South 2♠ West 2♠ North 2♠
Pass 2♠ Double 2♠ Pass

South's bidding was of the sort that asks for trouble. His takeout double of one diamond was well advised, particularly with the opponents on score, but when North could not dig up a bid over such a mild shout-out as West's two diamonds, South should have surrendered. Either two spades or two hearts might be slaughtered. As a matter of fact, however, the particular dummy that South picked up, and the opposing distributions, should have made the risky bid turn out beautifully.

West opened the fourth highest of his partner's suit, the deuce of diamonds. East won, and made the correct shift to a trump. Declarer, a dyed-in-the-wool finesseer, could not resist putting in his queen and as a result the hand "went to pieces." West won and continued trumps and, after that, declarer could ruff only

one heart in the dummy. He managed to make both of his low trumps by ruffing diamonds, but still ended up with only seven tricks.

Even without West's penalty double to warn him that the spade concentration was on his left, declarer should have pounced on East's trump lead with the ace. The two low hearts in his own hand could be salvaged only in one way, namely, through ruffing in the dummy and, obviously, one cannot ruff losers with trumps that have ceased to exist.

It should have taken no great perspicacity on South's part to realize that if the spade queen lost to West a trump return would reduce dummy to one ruff. The correct play of the spade ace would have resulted in declarer's fulfilling his contract with an extra trick. The ace and king of hearts and a heart ruff would follow, then declarer would ruff a low diamond with his deuce of trump. The fourth heart would be ruffed while East would be forced impotently to discard, and another diamond would bring home declarer's six of trump. A lead to the club ace and the ruffing of dummy's last diamond with the queen of trump would leave West in the embarrassing position of having three high trumps with which to ruff his own partner's club tricks.

To-morrow's Hand

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

♠ A8
♥ K8
♦ K109
♣ K10761

♠ J10932
♥ Q86
♦ J8
♣ A92

♠ 754
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♣ Q6

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♥ J973
♦ Q64
♣ J83

How should South play his three notrump contract? Opening lead spade jack.

War, Too, Has Its Commandments

Moscow daily broadcasts to the Red Army and the troops in the field are always reminded to follow the 10 commandments for guerilla warfare established by Lenin. Based on the successful campaign against the Germans in the Ukraine back in 1918, they command:

1. In combat, watch for your comrade. He will watch for you.
2. Do not bother about the wounded during action. Watch the enemy.
3. The sooner you destroy the enemy, the less danger there will be of him destroying you.
4. If you attack the enemy once and he does not succumb, try again and keep on trying. The enemy is a human being—he will eventually give in.
5. If you cannot destroy the enemy by ordinary means, think of other ways. You are bound to succeed eventually.
6. Retire, if necessary, let the enemy advance, but stay in his rear and harass him until you have destroyed him.
7. If the enemy is superior, retire, but destroy everything in your retreat.
8. If your enemy has superior forces as well as armament, use your own ingenuity to make up for this shortcoming. Make the enemy pay for every inch of ground.
9. Do not, under any circumstances, surrender to the enemy. If you seem to be fighting alone for a while, do not forget that your comrades are fighting for you somewhere else.
10. Remember, you must destroy the enemy at all costs. If you wish to remain free.

Food Position in Malaya Said to Be Satisfactory

In the event of Malaya being directly involved in actual warfare, it would become desirable to begin rationing rice and other foods merely as a precaution to ensure that the heavy stocks already held in reserve will last longer.

This was one of the statements made by the Food Controller, Malaya, Mr. Norman E. Jarrett, in an interview with the "Straits Times" recently prior to his handing over to Mr. L. A. Allen on being appointed British Resident, Selangor.

Mr. Jarrett pointed out that the reserves—which could last several months—were considerable and based on normal consumption rather than on rationed consumption.

Malayan food supply, he said, was "not bothered at all" by the Indo-China situation. No rice had been purchased from Indo-China this year, and the only food the imports of which might be affected by the Japanese occupation was dried fish. Most of the imports, however, were re-exported to the Netherlands Indies.

Air-Conditioned Godowns

For instance, sugar can now be kept for four months in a properly equipped godown.

Air-conditioning godowns were aiding in the preservation of flour, and Mr. Jarrett stated that more air conditioned stores are to be built in Kuala Lumpur and Penang.

Mr. Jarrett has been Food Controller, Malaya, since the outbreak of war.

NOBEL WINNER URGES YOUTHS TO BE CURIOUS

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. (UP).—A summer job is the best way for a boy to find his life work, in the opinion of a Nobel prize winner, Dr. Irving Langmuir, whose discoveries made possible the gas-filled incandescent lamp, the high-vacuum electronic tube and atomic hydrogen welding.

"It takes many young men quite some time to become oriented and started on their careers," he explained. "The boys who devote their summer vacations to discovering their own interests and abilities are just so far ahead of those who, after they are graduated, flounder from job to job until they find the work for which they are best suited."

Here is Dr. Langmuir's formula for success:

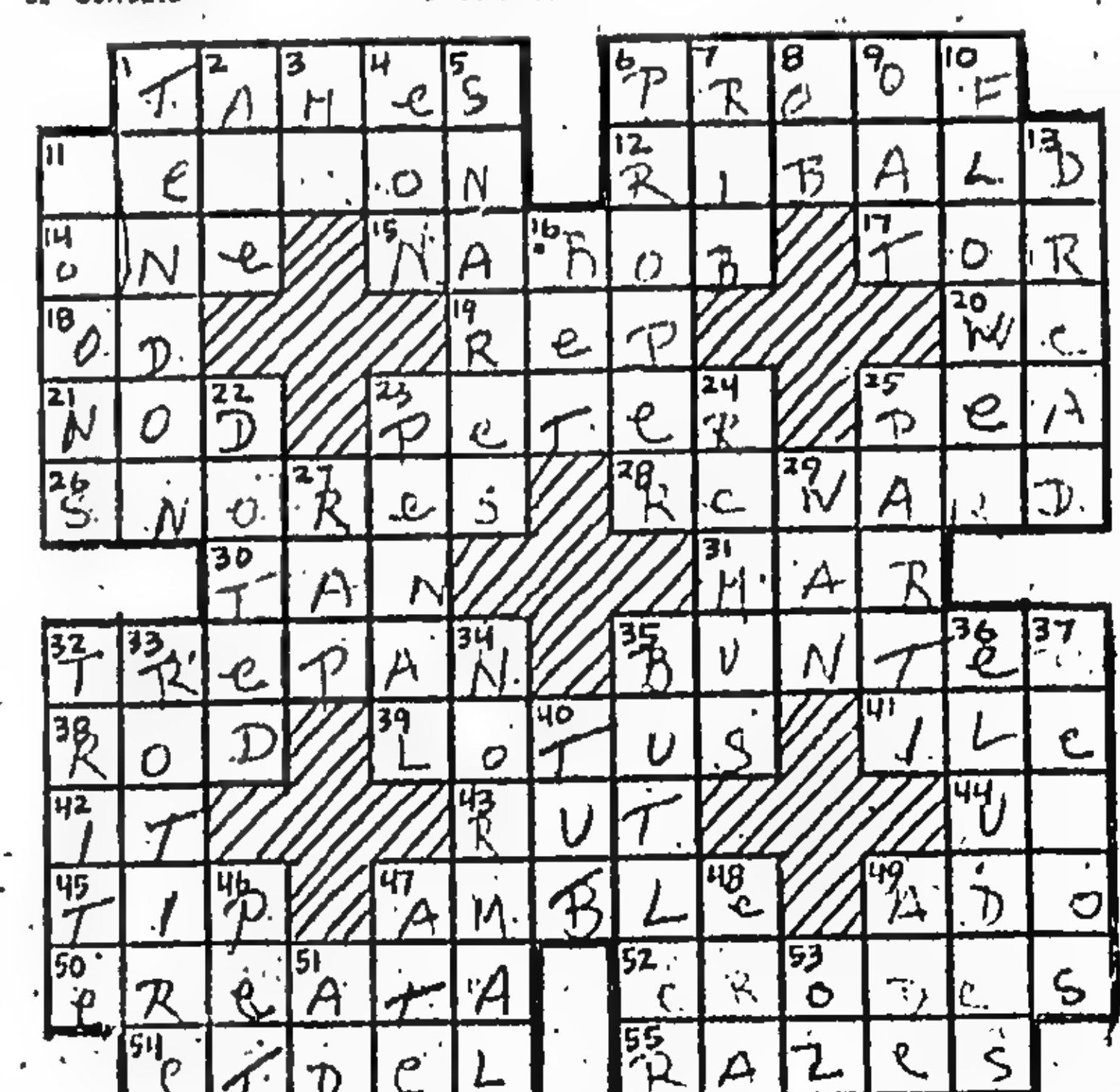
"Train yourselves. Don't wait to be fed knowledge out of a book. Get out and seek it. Make explorations. Do your own research work. Train your hands and your mind. Become curious." An amateur flier, the scientist believes that opportunities in aviation development will be "boundless" for youth. He predicts that aviation will progress tremendously after the war.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- ACROSS
- 1-Subdues
 - 2-Authenticating data
 - 3-Wound
 - 4-Nicotine
 - 5-Single person
 - 6-Rich Anglo-Indian
 - 7-Allergic force acting in mechanism
 - 8-Corded fabric
 - 9-Ua two
 - 10-Income tax
 - 11-Tire out
 - 12-Dislike
 - 13-Notices in sleep
 - 14-Drive
 - 15-Burn
 - 16-Good perfection of
 - 17-Surgical instrument
 - 18-Nails short bit
 - 19-In love
 - 20-Wand
 - 21-Water-lily
 - 22-Island (French)
 - 23-That thing
 - 24-Droze in road
 - 25-Balanced exclamation
 - 26-Drew liquid from
 - 27-Careless pace
 - 28-Exclamation
 - 29-Mistakes in printing
 - 30-Corridor
- DOWN
- 1-Palmetto song
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 - 5-Poor Clint's mother
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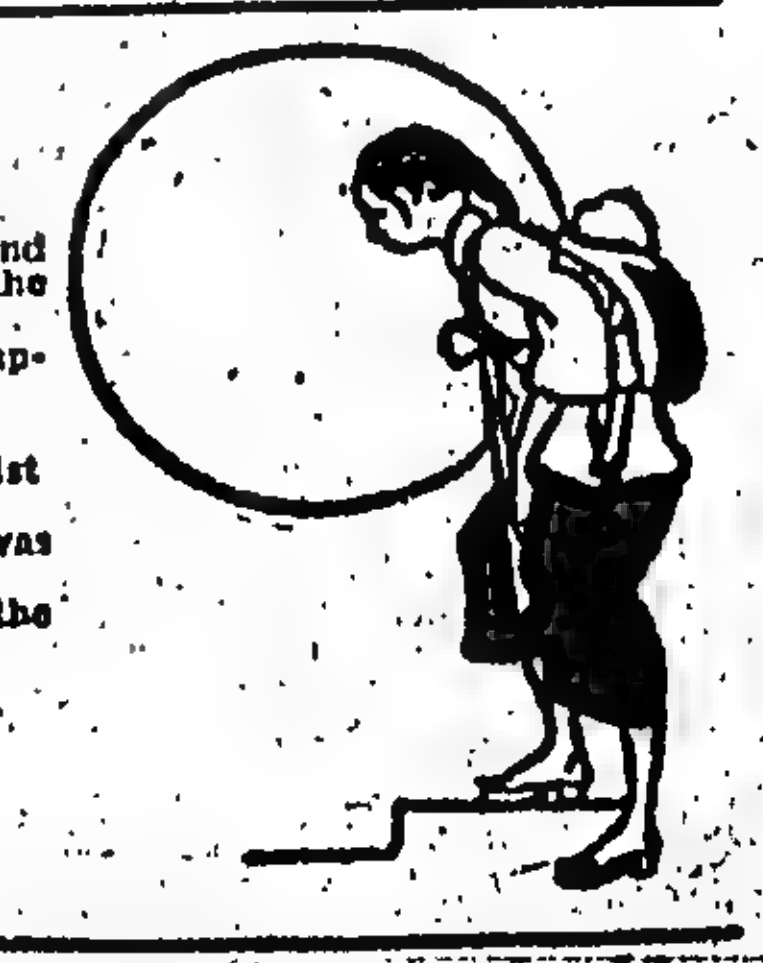
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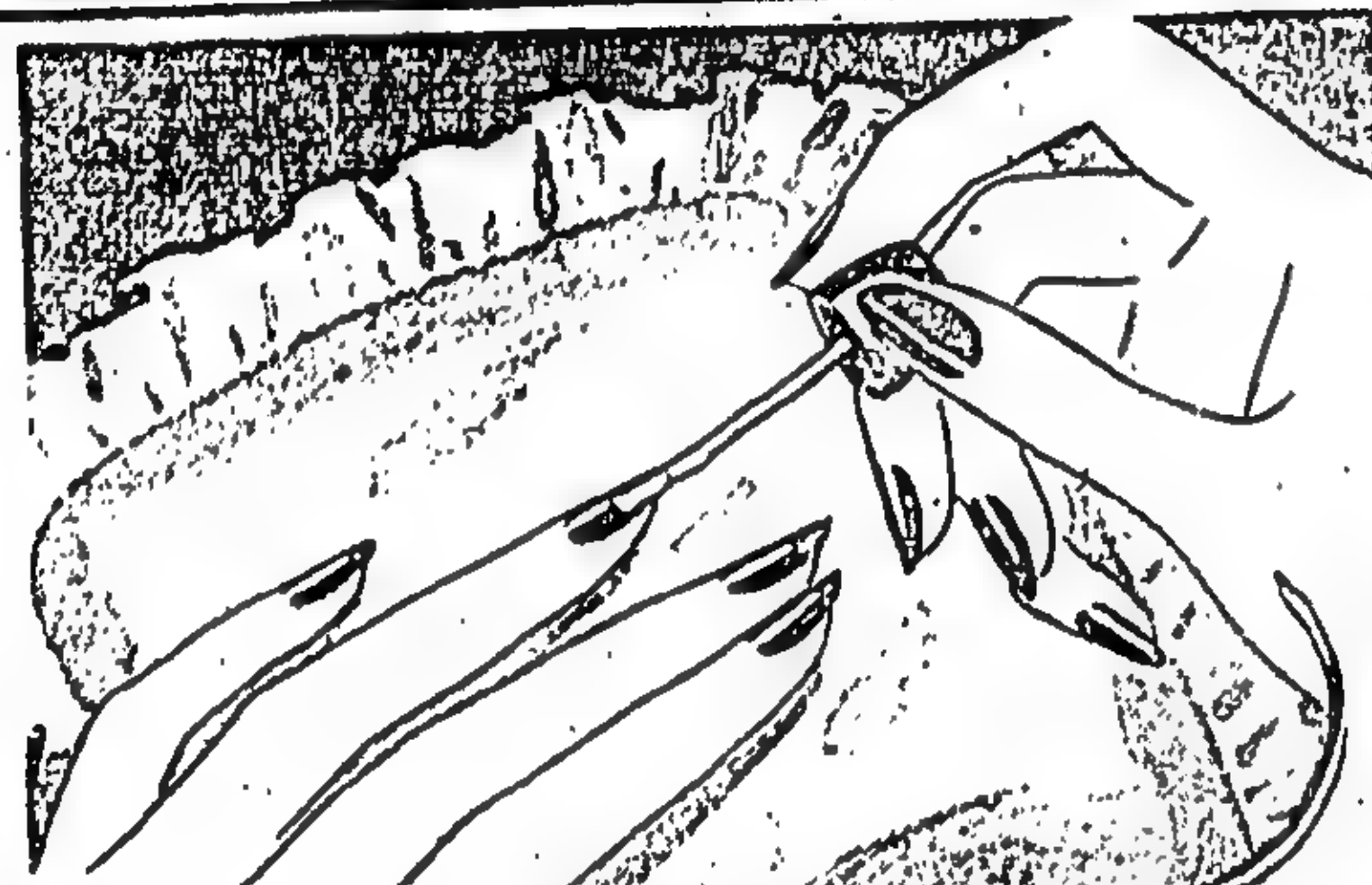
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THE ACHILLES HEEL

THE latest news from Russia is not quite so encouraging as it was two weeks ago. The Germans have admittedly made distinct advances and gained certain strategic positions which must necessarily prove a correspondingly serious blow to the Soviet. But apart from this, little is known of what is actually happening on the 1,200 mile battle front. That the Soviet troops are retreating across the Dnieper may indicate that the German push is too powerful to resist, or it may mean that General Budenny is anxious to conserve his forces for later assault. He is well aware that the further the Nazis penetrate into the country the approach of winter will add to their difficulties and winter is now not far off along the greater portion of the Russian front. At the same time the actual strength of the two opposing armies is not known, and will probably remain conjectural until the final stages of the war.

It has always been conceded that Russia's weakness does not lie in the direction of manpower—the known population of the Union allows for this admission—but the actual armoured strength of the country or of its air force has never been divulged, and neutral observers are still forbidden to visit the fighting zone. Mr Harry Hopkins, however, when in Moscow talked with Soviet leaders and unless their information was intentionally misleading, he must have received sufficiently reassuring data to encourage the sending of British and American aid to that country in large and increasing quantities. President Roosevelt, who probably have gained his information largely from Mr Hopkins' report, expressed himself on his return to Washington from his momentous meeting with Mr Winston Churchill, as satisfied that Russia could resist almost indefinitely. This is good news in the face of the Russian retreat which can, therefore, be more easily listed as a strategic move rather than a defeat.

Germany's strength, in spite of many statistics and expert opinion, is as unknown a quality as Russia's. To-day, Germany's armoured equipment is said to be enormous and Hitler has the whole of Europe to draw upon. But the question of oil consumption is one that may determine Germany's downfall. The extent of Hitler resources in this respect signifies the extent of Germany's strength in armoured divisions. That Germany's consumption of this essential commodity is enormous is an acknowledged fact. It is also known that Germany cannot hope to obtain all her requirements from Rumania or from synthetic supplies. That the Nazi leader is straining every nerve to reach further supplies of oil is equally clear. If these supplies had been adequate, why did he invade Russia at this time instead of attacking Britain before her strength grew too formidable?

THE HISTORIC BATTLE OF EGYPT



Why We Shall Win

By Philip Jordan

THERE is now being fought on Egyptian soil what may yet prove to be one of the decisive battles of the world. We shall win it.

But such a statement needs explanation, for it has none of the frivolity which characterises the utterances of the so-called "military spokesman" in Cairo. It is a serious statement, made with no wish to underestimate the gravity of the situation or to suppose for one second that it is of no importance that German mechanised units, handled by superbly trained soldiers, are now fighting on Egyptian territory from which the nearest enemy was more than 250 miles only a few short weeks ago.

We suffered a tremendous set-back. Let us admit that at once. But the situation, as this article will show, is far from being irredeemable, can and will be saved.

Although the menace to Egypt has not been removed it has been immobilised. The true danger to our position in the Middle East and to our industrial interests to the east of the Suez Canal is from the air.

WHEN the Germans advanced suddenly upon Benghazi in much greater force than our military intelligence had expected their ultimate aim was the naval base of Alexandria in the Nile delta. We can take that for granted. If Alexandria were captured Egypt would immediately fall.

The Germans threw into Libya, at considerable risk, far heavier forces than were necessary to create merely a diversion sufficiently strong to draw north enough troops to prevent us either from completing the conquest of Italian East Africa or from sending adequate military assistance to Greece.

What they launched against Egypt was a full-scale offensive, that is to say, an offensive built on a scale as large as they can operate with efficiency under conditions that make it impossible to supply large numbers of rapidly moving troops with everything that they need.

We do not know for certain how many troops they have; but I see no reason to alter the estimate of about three mechanised divisions. These three divisions—there may be four—together with ancillary troops

draw upon. But the question of oil consumption is one that may determine Germany's downfall. The extent of Hitler resources in this respect signifies the extent of Germany's strength in armoured divisions. That Germany's consumption of this essential commodity is enormous is an acknowledged fact. It is also known that Germany cannot hope to obtain all her requirements from Rumania or from synthetic supplies. That the Nazi leader is straining every nerve to reach further supplies of oil is equally clear. If these supplies had been adequate, why did he invade Russia at this time instead of attacking Britain before her strength grew too formidable?

WHO WAS "NEWS-CHRONICLE" WAR CORRESPONDENT IN EGYPT

and infantry are probably the maximum number that could be put into the field without weighting the scales too violently on the side of certain defeat.

To mount a desert operation a more finely adjusted balance between supply and demand has to govern the directing brain than is the case in warfare across inhabited territories. In desert war the land yields nothing to the soldiers who fight across its face.

Taken by and large, then, we may say that our troops have probably already felt the full weight of the enemy's attack. It may slacken, but it is unlikely to increase.

For the air no such correct estimate can be made. In London it is believed that the Germans have moved something like 1,000 aircraft—fighters, bombers and dive-bombers—into Southern Italy, Sicily and Tri-
poli.

British and Imperial pilots have long and valuable experience of desert flying, a circumstance which adds to their mastery of the air, for desert flying is altogether different from flying in Europe, which has so far been the sole training ground of the Nazis.

The main consideration is that this air superiority must be maintained if the Battle of Egypt is not to be in doubt. Not only must the enemy be prevented from free operation over Egypt itself, but also from being able to range with fighters and bombers over the Mediterranean, where Germany has no ships to challenge our naval superiority.

BETWEEN Benghazi and Alexandria there are about 750 miles of comparative desert. An army forced to abandon the former and charged with the duty of defending the latter, has a choice of only two places from which to fight. Tobruk and Mersa Matruh.

Tobruk and Mersa Matruh are the only two possible defence positions along this line from which a numerically smaller and worse equipped army make it impossible to supply large numbers of rapidly moving troops with everything that they need.

Tobruk and Mersa Matruh are still in British hands.

It is true that German mechanised units have by-passed Tobruk; but so long as it remains in British hands they cannot throw the full weight of their attacking force against Egypt.

Units that have gone on to Sollum and descended the escarpment into Egyptian territory are no doubt formidable; but they can achieve little or nothing until Tobruk, the menace to their left flank, is silenced.

So far from being silenced, Tobruk is giving evidence of great vitality. From its defences Imperial troops have made sorties which have resulted in a great deal of damage to the enemy forces.

TOBRUK will take a lot of silencing. It may never be silenced; but in the meantime, so long as it holds out, it delays the attack proper on Egypt and thus gives us time to mass troops and equipment at Mersa Matruh, where our commanders may well choose to meet the enemy.

We hear stories of fierce fighting here and there. Fierce, no doubt, it is; but not important in the ultimate sense except so far as it continually tests the extended strength of the enemy; delays his arrival closer to Mersa Matruh, and makes it possible for the Navy to play in defence as sound a part as it played in attack last February.

The Navy is already in action, in fact. The annihilation of entire enemy convoys in the Mediterranean narrows is an indirect contribution of inestimable value to our land forces.

In slightly smaller degree so is its successful bombardments of Fort Capuzzo, where its well-placed shells have destroyed many enemy vehicles and inflicted a number of casualties.

Mersa Matruh itself is a strong fortress, aided not only by the ingenuity of man, but particularly by nature. This is no time to speak in detail of its artificial defences. If the Germans ever reach here they will no doubt learn something of them by bitter experience.

BUT its natural defences are such that an attacking force could not reasonably hope ever to by-pass it and go on towards the Nile delta. South of it, a little to the east, lies the great Kattara depression, a marsh hundreds of feet below sea level, hundreds of miles in

length. It is a natural tank trap with sides 600ft. high; and because it lies where it does there is only one way for an attacking army to reach Alexandria; and that is slap through Mersa Matruh itself. I do not think we need fear that. Rash it may be to prophesy; but I will say here and now that the only Germans who will go east of Mersa Matruh will go as prisoners of war.

If, then, you hear of fighting at Bug Bug, at Sidi Barrani, do not imagine for a second that all or much is lost. Mersa Matruh is the only place from which a defence can be mounted.

If we decide to counter-attack, of course, it may be that the Germans will never reach Mersa Matruh. But our generals alone know whether we are yet strong enough to take the offensive. Intentions to date are that we will, for the time being, remain on the defensive; and that an attempt will be made to isolate the enemy from Europe.

DISAPPOINTING and discouraging as the news from Libya is, and as it will be for a time, we must not lose heart or criticise without the facts. When all these facts are made public we shall know for certain that Wavell was right not to have gone on to Tripoli. With the material at his hand he did wonders; he destroyed an army with a handful of men. And with that he destroyed an empire.

Schools' Reforms After War

The President of the Board of Education recently said that his Department had completed a report on the methods by which post-war educational reforms might be effected. He was speaking at the London conference of the Association of Educational Committees.

"Our educational framework and machinery are old-fashioned already; after the war they will be obsolete," he said.

He suggested that the first great task might be to make senior elementary schools, secondary schools and junior technical schools all of equal status, and esteem and they must set 18 as the age when State education should cease.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You never argue with me, Harold—one would think we'd been married for years!"

Derailment Of Train And Bombs At Soochow

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (UP).—Amid report of increasing guerilla activity in the vicinity of Soochow, a Japanese military spokesman admitted to-day the derailment between Soochow and Kashiung—a branch line of the Shanghai-Nanking railway—of a mixed passenger and freight train at 5.15 p.m., resulting in two killed and 28 wounded.

The admission followed Chinese reports that the tracks had been removed causing the locomotive and four cars to overturn into the river.

The Japanese said that heavy rains had caused the lowering of the rail and the derailment.

It is recalled that a guerilla landmine blew up a freight train on Saturday night on the main line between Shanghai and Soochow.

Meanwhile, Chinese Press reports say that Soochow is blockaded for the second time in six months as a result of six bombs being discovered following the explosion of several bombs near the city wall on Monday night.

The Japanese closed all gates last week following a bomb explosion in a Japanese store, but the gates were opened on Saturday afternoon.

Bernhard Flies With Compatriots

Now Ready For Action

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited a Royal Air Force aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as leader of a training formation of nine machines, all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing the Prince said to the co-operation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F. "These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the Netherlands East Indies."

"I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that you will all appreciate the facilities given you by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training."

AUSTRALIAN AID FOR SOVIETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CANBERRA, Aug. 21 (UP).—The Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies to-day stated that Australia is sending large shipments of supplies to Russia.

"Australia is engaged in affording all assistance to Russia so that she can obtain essential import requirements," Mr. Menzies declared.

BOY SCOUTS IN HOLLAND DEFY NAZIS

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Dutch Boy Scouts are defying the Nazi ban making them members of an illegal organisation, and are holding meetings and camps, states "Vrij Nederland," the Free Dutch newspaper published in London.

The boys and their parents have been warned by the Nazi Commissioner-General for Public Security of the punishment that will be meted out to them if this continues. He stated: "German Police patrols during July and August have noticed that Boy Scouts have been active. A camp was raided near Putten and 120 scouts were arrested. The boys resisted the German police who were compelled to use their arms. One 16-year-old Scout was wounded."

"The boys' parents share in the blame for the Scout movement defying the ban and if they do not stop their sons from stupid Scout activities, they will be arrested and some will be expelled from school."

FUKIEN CARRIES ON DESPITE WAR

YUNGAN, Aug. 22 (Central News).—Despite Japanese invasion, the financial situation in Fukien remains stable. It is authoritatively stated here.

In the economic field the Fukien Provincial Bank opened by the end of last year 86 branches and sub-offices besides eight established abroad. Outstanding loans to industrial and other concerns at reduced interest to encourage production amounted to \$33,000,000.

Provincial banknotes circulated by the end of last year were about \$31,000,000 against which adequate reserve was kept.

Last year the Bank started a Trust Department to encourage investments throughout Fukien.

CHINESE AIRMEN STORY REVIVED

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Some 120 Chinese volunteers from Singapore have been sent to Manila by the Chinese Government for air training by American experts, according to local Chinese reports.

After completing their course, they will return to China to join the Chinese Air Force.

Pacific Islands Claims

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—That the United States would view with concern and refuse to recognize any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific Islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at press conference to-day.

It is pointed out here that the Spratly Group in South China are now shown as Japanese possessions in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation. Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed jurisdiction in 1933 had been occupied by France in 1933 but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner. Annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings.

Illustrious Has New Commander

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The aircraft-carrier *Illustrious*, which is in an American shipyard for repairs, will be commanded by Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, says a British press service.

Yesterday's announcement from London did not disclose the whereabouts of the *Illustrious*.

It will be recalled that the *Illustrious* was the main target of German and Italy dive-bombers on January 10 when British warships were escorting a large vital convoy to Greece. The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires aboard.

Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, the *Illustrious* reached Malta.

Lord Louis Mountbatten formerly commanded the destroyer *Kelly* which was sunk in the Crete campaign after figuring previously in a daring escape from destruction.

POLISH ARMY IS FORMING IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—An army of between 100,000 and 120,000 Polish soldiers is likely to be formed on U.S.S.R. territory, according to the present estimate of General W. Anders, newly-appointed Polish C-in-C in Soviet Russia, and General Szyzko-Bonuse, Chief of the Polish Military Mission there.

It is reported from Moscow, where these Generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps would be raised among the former Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms.

Mr King On Harmony In Imperial Decisions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Mr. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions at the Dominions Office this afternoon. He also called on Mr. Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists presided over by Mr. Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met the visiting Premier at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Council.

Mr. King said he thought they had the most perfect and continuous conference of cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have.

It was essential to have an effective means of communication between different parts. "I have been in office many years and I say without hesitation that I cannot conceive a more effective means of communication than now exists," he added.

Direct Communication
As head of the government in Canada he received communications direct from Mr. Churchill and was also able to communicate with him.

In addition communications came directly from the Dominions Office giving a complete picture of what was taking place. Moreover the British High Commissioner in Canada received other communications which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

At all times but particularly in times of great emergency important decisions should be made not by one man but by the government as a whole. Under the present arrangements if a communication was addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Prime Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing Parliament and the people of Canada.

Consensus of Opinions
"It might seem" went on Mr. Mackenzie King, "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed to-day through the Cabinets of Dominions is infinitely more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than other arrangements could possibly be."

He was present at the War Committee of the British Cabinet to-day. I would not be in a position on my own initiative to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa and through them with their armed services colleagues just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government. That would mean coming to the other side and getting word back before I could communicate.

"It is very much easier to give the Cabinet an opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all its phases and thus represent it to the Government here as a collective opinion."

Warm Relations
Mr. Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were to-day, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them. There had never been a single point of difference on any essential matter since the beginning of the war between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments.

In the last war differences arose continuously between the Governments and between the military and civil authorities. In this war there has not been any difference between the military and civil authorities or between the governments themselves. The reason for that was that before any important step had been taken, the Dominions had been consulted and had been able to express their view and the general consensus of opinion had been reached as a result.

TILLMAN DURDIN

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (Central News).—Mr. F. Tillman Durdin, Far Eastern correspondent of the "New York Times," left Chungking on Tuesday morning by plane for Kunming en route to Burma, Thailand, Singapore and Manila. He will return to Chungking via Hongkong sometime in October.

Chiang Kai-shek's Telegram To Hongkong

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegram to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange in Hongkong expressing appreciation of their recent efforts in raising \$200,000 (Chinese currency) to donate to the State in commemoration of the fourth anniversary of the Shanghai battles on August 13, says "Central News."

MYSTERY OF FRANCE'S RESERVES OF BULLION

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"Where is the Bank of France's gold?" asks the "Financial News" to-day, commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserves of the Bank amount to 84½ milliard francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German armistice. The question is how much of this gold is under the effective control of the Vichy authorities?

As is well known, a large amount transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by order of the Washington administration. Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by

which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for the urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

Some At Dakar
A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar. Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold.

According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique, but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agree to surrender part of its gold to Germany.

Suez Canal Area Again Raided

CAIRO, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A British G.H.Q. communiqué states that in the Tobruk area, heavy dust storms continue to limit our patrol activities.

In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid last night. A communiqué states that two were killed and 28 were injured and that there was slight damage to property.

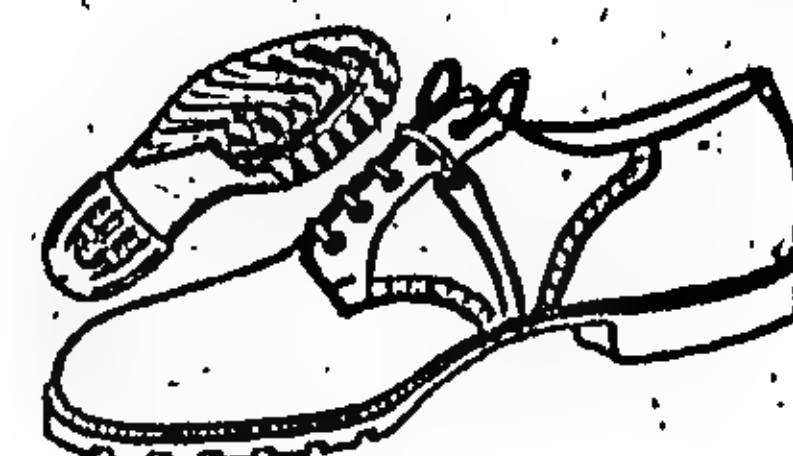
Some Damage
NICOSIA, Cyprus, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Enemy planes raided Famagusta this morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property.

One Killed
NICOSIA, Cyprus, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—It is learned that one civilian was killed and six injured in this morning's raid on Famagusta.

Invasion Of Britain

TOKYO, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"The situation on the eastern front makes an attempt at invading England improbable this year," states the Berlin correspondent of the "Asahi." In a cable to his newspaper in Tokyo to-day.

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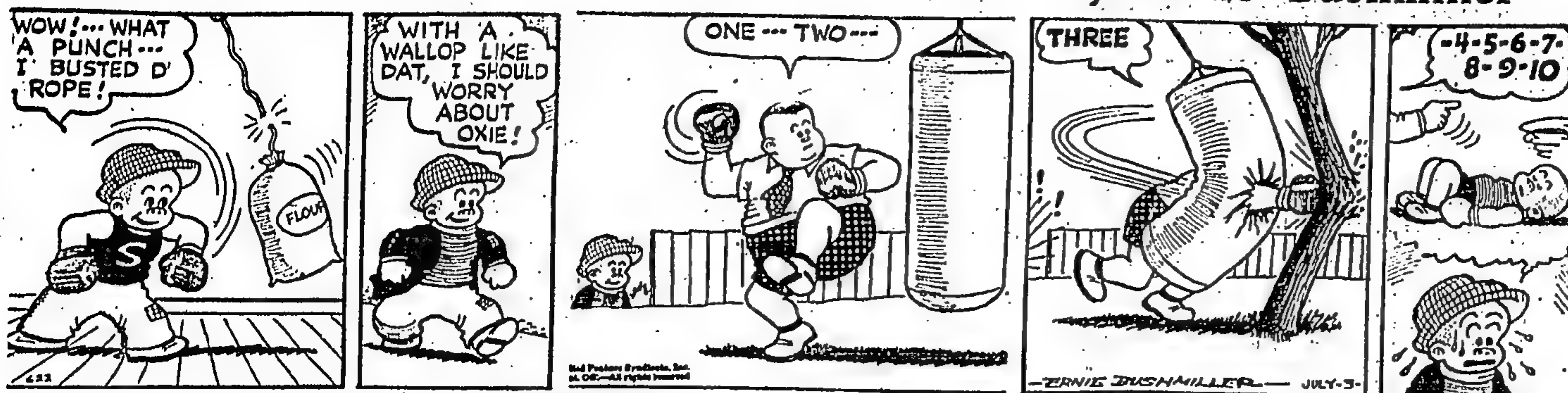
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Big Broadcasting Station For Macao

MACAO Aug. 21.—It was learned to-day that the R.C.A. Manufacturing Company, Inc. have signed a contract with the Radio Clube de Macao for the erection of a new high powered broadcasting station. The transmitter, which is of the very latest design, will have an output of 5 KW on one channel, or alternatively two separate programmes can be broadcast simultaneously with a transmitter output of 2½ KW on each programme.

The complete station will probably cost in the neighbourhood of \$200,000 and will include the erection of a new modern building which will have offices, club-rooms and three programmes and announce studios.

It is understood that the programmes will be operated on commercial lines, similar to radio stations in the United States, and will include continuous broadcasts in English, Portuguese and Chinese over a period of 10 to 12 hours per day. It is also possible that transcription programmes from the National Broadcasting Company, which is affiliated with the Radio Corporation of America, will be broadcast, making available to Far East listeners some of the best of American and Latin American programmes.

Due to the fact that the new station will have approximately five times the power of the well known Shanghai and Manila shortwave stations, it is expected that listeners as far away as Timor, Goa and Mozambique will be able to pick up the broadcasts without difficulty. Later it is planned to install a directional antenna for direct broadcasts to Portugal.

CHINA SEEKS TO REVIVE SILK INDUSTRY

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central News).—A possible shortage of raw silk in the United States revives hopes of Chinese silk-producers who despite the war, have been trying to improve and increase silk production and find means to export it. The Foreign Trade Commission spent \$1,700,000 in the last half of last year and earlier half of this year to improve Szechwan silk and stimulate its production. The Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement under the direction of Madame Chiang Kai-shek maintains experimental stations in Szechwan cities to introduce new methods of raising silk-worms and controlling diseases. Other institutions too joined the silk production campaign.

Before the war, China's silk export went to Hongkong for transshipment to the United States, France, Italy and the South Seas. Since the war, most of China's silk goes to the United States, France, India, Burma and England. A portion of it goes to Japan from Shanghai where the Japanese have control over the situation in the occupied areas.

In the last few years the National Government has been promoting sericulture in the Southwest, especially Szechwan, and Yunnan and silk has been exported over the Burma Road.

Vikings Take Wings Against Hitlerism

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—In a week or so, the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain will be ready to operate with the R.A.F.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world. The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force Staff Officer who escaped.

Oil Tankers Available To Britain

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—Figures intended to show that Britain has an ample oil tanker fleet are being circulated in the United States apparently in a deliberate effort to confuse the public, and are "wholly and completely false," stated Mr. Ralph Davies, United States Deputy Co-ordinator replying to unofficial reports that it was unnecessary to transfer American tankers to Britain.

The inadequacy of British and Allied tankers to fulfil the wartime task as indicated by conclusive evidence in our hands, is such as to warrant the transfer of American tankers to aid the transportation of oil," he declared. "No one should be deluded here until every step taken having been essential in our judgment to the job of getting oil to the fighting fronts and thus protecting our own national security."

Mr. Davies said that reports that the British have ample tankers and that it is unnecessary to transfer American tankers to aid Britain "do not square with the detailed figures submitted by the British."

Mechanisation Of British Army

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuters).—"Covenanter," Britain's latest and fastest cruiser-tank, are probably the best-designed tank of their type in the world. Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type as well as every description of fighting vehicles, trucks, cars and motor-cycles. It has been suggested in German military circles that war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units, but the British Army has now many technical formations capable of their own game.

Speed And Gunfire

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Band Concert On Saturday

An open-air concert by the massed bands in aid of the British Prisoners of War Fund will be held to-morrow commencing at 2.30 p.m. at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground and not to-night as inadvertently reported in one paper.

Ventilation For H. K. A.R.P. Tunnels

Fans, driven by a diesel petrol motor, and which are in design very similar to aeroplane blades, are now being installed to ventilate the Colony's A.R.P. tunnels. This was revealed in an official communique this morning, which added that good progress was being made towards the completion of the tunnels.

The fans will ventilate by sucking in the fresh air from one end of a tunnel and driving it out at the other.

It was also revealed that the local A.R.P. had just received from England cinema films showing a first aid post, two rescue and demolition squads and fire fighting parties dealing with incendiary bombs in operation. The first aid picture consists of four reels and the others of two

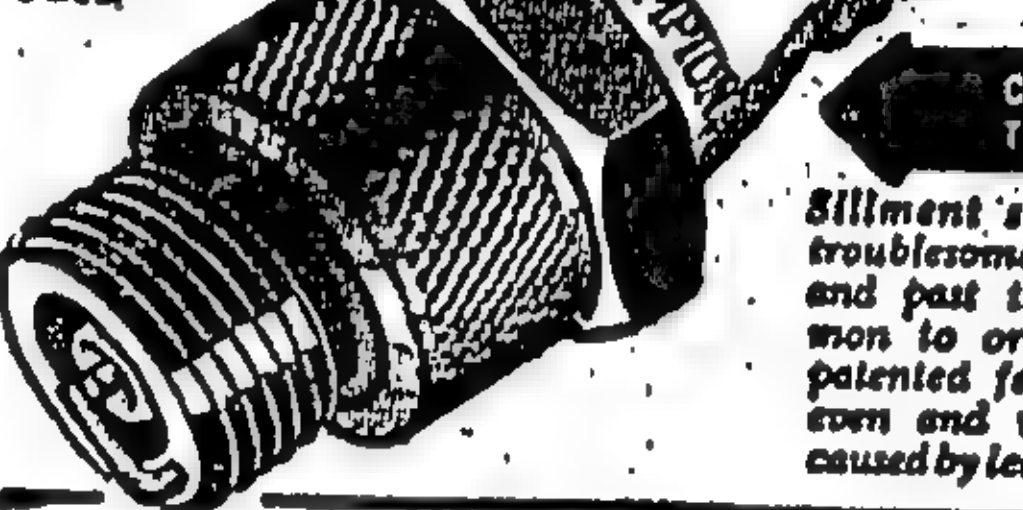
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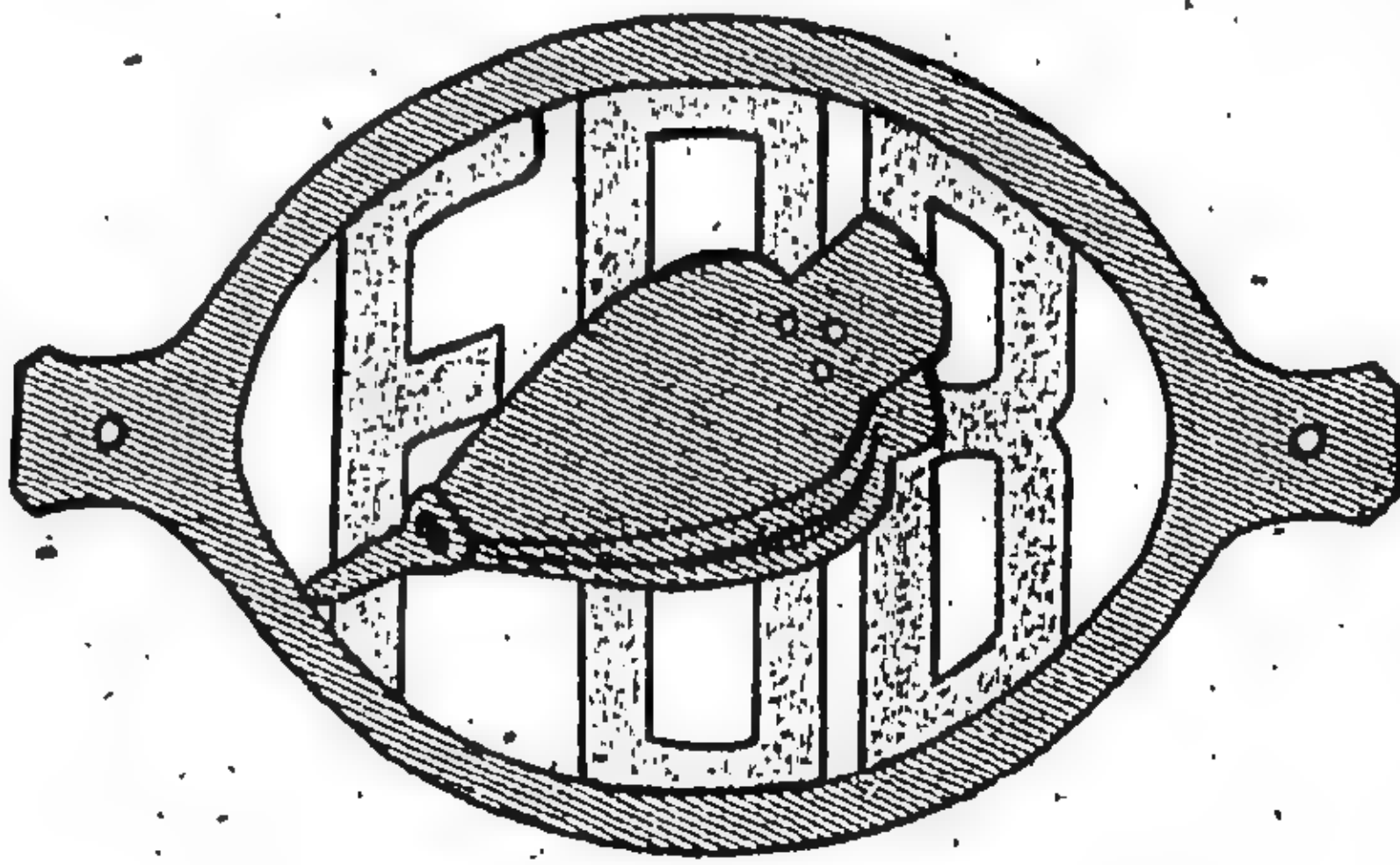
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small dams on the Dnieper but asserted that their efforts to destroy the tremendous one hundred million dollar dam near Dnieperstrov for the purpose of flooding the lower Dnieper valley and thereby impeding the German advance had failed on account of the immensity of the structure.

The Germans' claim that the Russian losses during the two months of fighting total 5,000,000 men. They asserted that the battle of Gomel on the north Ukrainian front has successfully ended after ten days of severe fighting in which it is claimed that they destroyed or defeated twenty five Russian divisions. The German northern drive is following a semi-circular course towards Leningrad where Marshal Voroshilov has urged the people to "rise to a man and crush the insolent arrogant foe."

Dnieper Dam Report
LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—Authoritative sources after a thorough investigation to-day announced that there was no confirmation to the reports that the Russians had dynamited the Dnieper dam; consequently, there is no indication of the threatened flooding of that vast area between Zaporozje and the Black Sea.

Destruction of Warships
MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—M. Lozovsky, Deputy Chief of the Information Bureau, denying German claims that they have captured an unfinished Russian battleship and other vessels at Nikoliev, said that the facts were that the unfinished and unengined battleship and a cruiser on the stocks were blown up by the Russians together with the shipyard.

Winter Campaign
(BY "REUTERS" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—German officers in Russia have received instructions from Berlin to tell the troops that the severity of the Russian winter is grossly exaggerated and that all the men need to withstand the rigours of winter is thick clothing plus valinkis (Russian felt boots), which are to be taken from the peasants.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source, show that Hitler realises that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.

Berlin Raided
MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Russian planes raided Berlin last night, causing fires, says Moscow Radio.

It is also stated that all Russian planes returned safely.

German Comparison
BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The official news agency claims that during the past five days the Luftwaffe shot down or destroyed on the ground on the eastern front 521 Soviet planes compared with the loss of ten German planes.

Thailand Proclaims Neutrality

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of unprovoked aggression on which ever side.

Change of Front

SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Arrivals from the Thai border have remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which, till recently, was consistently belittling British strength in Malaya and Burma. However, the Tokyo Radio yesterday stated that 220,000 troops were standing at the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma. Despite the most emphatic and clearest denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vilify the Thai atmosphere again and have put out "reports" that Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain.

Call To Be Ready
BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Bangkok Radio last night counselled Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventuality while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised that there was no change in the situation. Thailand did not face any danger of attack and he deprecated any attempts to sensationalise the precautionary advice. Nevertheless he urged the public to be prepared with shelters, dug-outs and black-out accessories and study methods of dealing with incendiary bombs.

Summary Of Soviet War Fronts

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Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of this magnitude.

Leningrad Pressure
Besides, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back to the north once again with Leningrad for the objective. This offensive is now in full swing but is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians have still room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful up to now, enabling them to absorb shock attacks without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

Near Final Stand
They are, however, getting very near the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. Then they will not be able to yield any further; but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows will not have lost much of their weight.

A new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of Gomel between Smolensk and Kiev. It is not yet clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastwards towards Moscow or south-eastwards so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

Distributed Strength
The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all the fronts at once. But this sector is undoubtedly one to which it is directed against Moscow, and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach which has so far defied all their efforts.

JAPAN CONTROL OF INDO-CHINA

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ese and two Fascist-minded persons to positions.

A Big Voice

TOKYO, Aug. 21 (UP).—Colonel Mabuchi, Army spokesman in a Press interview to-day urged the people to give serious thought concerning the changing world situation and to prepare to make personal sacrifices. He said that Japan's influence to-day extends from the north of the continent down to Indo-China, and therefore, "Japan is entitled to a big voice in the world war, and no nation will be able to do anything by ignoring Japan."

Comment On Axis

SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The most outspoken Japanese comment yet made appeared in the Japanese-owned Singapore "Herald" as follows: "Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his own ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully."

Russians Abandon Gomel

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who suffered disastrous losses, according to the Germans, in their attempt to carry out evacuation operations, and who are still trying to embark on transports.

Along the Dnieper, according to German informed quarters in Germany are maintaining ceaseless pressure on the ever narrowing bridge-heads to the westwards. It is said that the Russians attempted to blow up the great Dnieperstrov dam which is now well within the range of the German artillery; however, owing to the terrific strength and the size of the dam, it proved to be impossible to destroy it although the Russians are believed to have succeeded in blowing up smaller dams further down the river causing a certain amount of flooding which may temporarily slow down the German advance.

Roosevelt's Two New Points

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now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result.

Taking In Russia
It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all three nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either regarding fighting, or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose, but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated if necessary when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin.

Serious Nazi Threat To Turkey Reported

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allegedly original plan to drive on India across Turkey. The impression exists that Germany's future plans are awaiting the outcome of the Russian campaign.

It is estimated that 200,000 German troops in the vicinity of the frontier and that additional troop trains are arriving. Fresh materials are also arriving to reinforce and supplement the fortifications.

Diplomats arriving from the Balkans are of the opinion that if Turkey enters the war against Germany, it might be a death blow to the German plans in the Balkans where the Slav elements are reported to be restive. They said that the Bulgarian Government particularly would be faced with the grave problem of the growing sympathy of the masses for Russia and the Slav cause.

It is reported that Rumanian forces will not go beyond the Bug river. Neutral diplomats at Bucharest estimate that 90 per cent. of the Rumanian people oppose the war against Russia and favour Rumania's falling out at the first opportunity.

Italy After Croats?

HELSINKI, Aug. 21 (UP).—The "Aften Bladet's" Berlin correspondent states that it is unconfirmedly learned from private sources that Italy sent an ultimatum to Croatia, marched in during the forenoon and occupied the towns of Dubrovnik and Kraljevo despite Croatian resistance. Officials say that there is no confirmation to the rumour. The same sources, declared Italian circles in Berlin, believe that Mussolini will soon proceed to the eastern front to meet Hitler.

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HITLER SUSPECTED OF PREPARING NEW FRONT: BIG THREAT TO TURKEY

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GERMANY APPEARS TO BE PREPARING FOR A NEW BATTLE FRONT WITH INCREASING REPORTS FROM VARIOUS CAPITALS DECLARING THAT THE NAZIS ARE CONCENTRATING TROOPS ON THE BULGARIA-TURKEY FRONTIER. SIMULTANEOUSLY ITALY IS REPORTED TO BE MOVING AGAINST THE CROATS AND ALSO TO HAVE LANDED TROOPS IN THE AEGEAN ISLANDS.

HERE ARE THE LATEST "UNITED PRESS" MESSAGES, EXCLUSIVE TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ON THE NEW SITUATION WHICH IS REPORTED TO BE DEVELOPING.

From Ankara: Authoritative military experts declare that advanced elements of two German infantry divisions are in Bulgaria arranging billets and supplies for fresh troops which, it is believed, will be sent directly from Germany, and which have not yet seen any action in Russia.

At the same time considerable reinforcements for the Luftwaffe in the form of ground crews for manning aerodromes which the Germans have been strenuously multiplying and extending throughout Bulgaria since the Greek campaign have arrived in Sofia, while Italian troops are occupying the east Thracian frontier and are active both in reconnoitring and improving base supplies.

Additional Italian reinforcements have been sent to the island of Samos, while between ten and fifteen thousand Italians, concentrated just off the Turkish coast, arrived there a few days ago.

It is learned that the Turkish Ambassador to Berlin, Huseyn Gerede recently called the Fuehrer's Headquarters where Hitler elaborately assured Turkey that he had nothing to fear from Germany.

New Border Reports

Istanbul:—Arrivals from Sofia asserted without confirmation that German troops are concentrating on the Bulgarian-Turkish frontier, thereby causing speculation as to whether Germany has not abandoned her allegedly original plan to drive on India across Turkey. The impression exists that Germany's future plans are awaiting the outcome of the Russian campaign.

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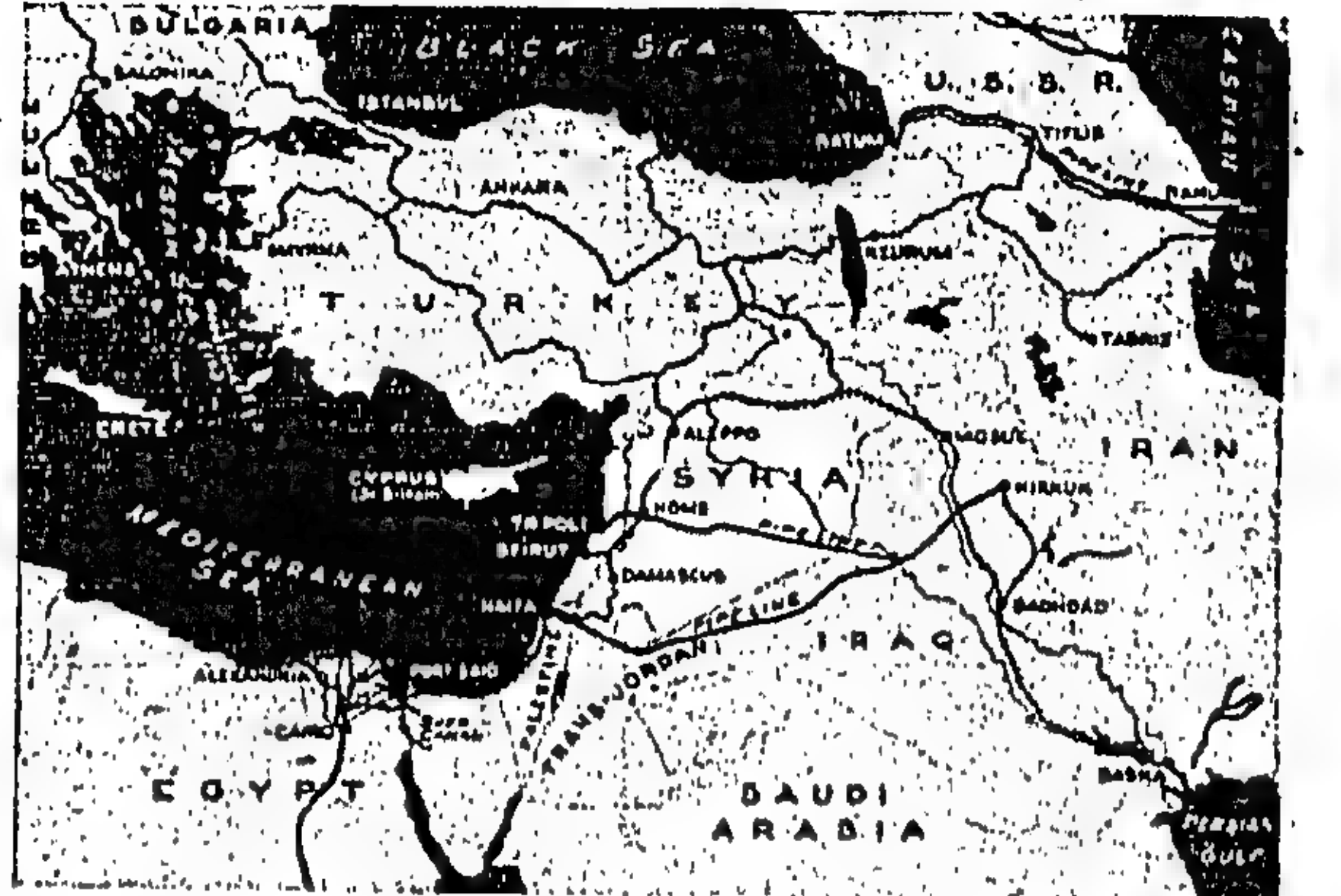
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Ankara:—The reports that fresh German troops as well as air units are moving into Bulgaria, coupled with the Italian activity in Thrace and the Aegean Islands have revived the belief of the possibility that the Germans will demand the passage of troops across Turkey, failing which Germany will attack Turkey.

Other developments supporting this belief are firstly the growing evidence that the German offensive against Russia will drag on until winter without a decision. Reliable sources stressed the fact that about two months of good campaigning weather remains in Bulgaria and Turkey before the autumn rains bog the Russian roads with mud, hence, Hitler may try a diversion to the Black Sea.

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JAPAN TOLD TO HALT

Britain-U.S. Ready to Act

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt are believed to have decided that any further Japanese southward move will meet with material British forcible resistance, which is assumed to mean that automatically the ABCD Front will halt Japan.

It appears to be the continued determination of the democracies to avoid any provocative action concerning Japan which would lead to war in the Pacific, but from a strategic viewpoint it is thought that the United States and Britain had concurred that Japan had now reached the deadline in her southward lebensraum push.

Regardless of the firmness of the American, British and American diplomatic conversations with Japan which are being pursued, the present calm around the Pacific powder keg is not regarded as meaning that the danger of explosion has been lessened.

Given Every Chance

Yet Washington and London are willing to give Japan every chance to abandon her aggressive ways. It is unconfirmedly reported that the United States has fixed a time limit of several weeks for Japan to reach her decision, after which it will be considered useless to continue the American-Japanese parleys.

It is reliably reported in London that in the course of recent weeks informal diplomatic conversations have been held in which the United States proposed to Japan the neutralisation of Indo-China and Thailand—the idea being to give both a status similar to Switzerland. The Japanese response was negatively evasive.

Comical Suggestion

This development is reported to have occurred before Japan assumed her effective control of Indo-China and her encroachment there is considered to have swept the United States proposal into the ash-can. However, as the Washington and Tokyo talks have continued, Japan is reported to have suggested the drastic limitation of armaments in Singapore, N.E.I., Australia and the Philippines and the termination of the Sino-Japanese war.

Japan's idea, it is stated, is to enlist United States collaboration for the purpose of preventing further rearmament in the regions mentioned. Washington is reported to have considered the Japanese suggestion as "preposterously comical."

Jersey Ship Strike Impasse Continues

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has called in C.I.O. Union representatives for discussion of the shipbuilding strike in the Kearney, New Jersey, yards.

The President has requested that the C.I.O. hold further negotiations with the Shipyard management and if possible the dockwork as the Government do not want to take over the yards if this can possibly be avoided.

Exports For Russia And China

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The State Department to-day issued a general license authorizing the export of chemicals, machinery, non-ferrous metals, iron, steel, vegetable products such as rubber, wood and paper to Russia and China (where they are sent via the Burma Road), the British Empire, Latin America, Dutch and French Indies, Liberia and other countries.

Reds Say Nazi Gains Have Cost Them 2,000,000 Men

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (UP).—Reviewing the fighting on the Eastern Front, M. Lozovsky, the official spokesman asserted that fierce fighting is going on in the direction of Odessa which is costing the Germans tens of thousands of lives.

RUSSIANS ABANDON GOMEL

Latest Communique

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The following is the text of the communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 10.40 p.m. G.M.T.:

"In the course of August 21, our troops waged stubborn battles with the enemy along the whole front, especially fierce in the directions of Kingisepp, Novgorod and Gomel. After heavy fighting, our troops evacuated Gomel."

"According to incomplete data, in the course of air combats, 21 German aircraft were brought down. We lost 12."

"In the afternoon of August 20, five German scouting planes were brought down by our fighters on the approaches to Moscow and not three as previously reported."

Germans Said Within 13 Miles of Leningrad

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Dome).—The Stockholm Radio quoting the Berlin correspondent of the "Aftonbladet" reported that the Nazi troops advancing via Gatchina reached 13 miles south of Leningrad.

Redoubled Fury

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—On the southern front, the Germans with redoubled fury continued their drive on Odessa throughout yesterday and last night. German bombers and Stukas continued to pound the Soviets. TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3

British Planes Fill The Skies Over Nazi Cities

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported that Britain has had more planes over German cities at night than the Germans ever had over England during the darkest days last winter.

Replying to a question as to whether the present British air offensive against Germany lives up to the promises made several weeks ago, the source said that the R.A.F. attacks are heavier than anything the Germans ever produced over Britain, and "there will be far more in the future."

14 Planes Lost

The Air Ministry in a communique stated that 14 British

"Odessa is neither a Dunkirk nor a Tobruk," declared the spokesman, adding that the Germans are nowhere near Kiev. "We are realistic politicians and we realise that the expiring Fascist beast can inflict several more severe blows; that danger remains as evidenced by the ardent and patriotic proclamation signed by Marshal Voroshilov regarding Leningrad," said M. Lozovsky.

2,000,000 Casualties

The spokesman appraising the German successes said that the Nazis had suffered two million casualties including more than half killed. "Humanity has not known a war during which such a short period an army has suffered similar tremendous losses."

He asserted that after two months, Hitler had seized a small part of Soviet territory, but was without food reserves and he had found ruined cities and villages, exploded plants, a guerrilla movement and the hatred of all sections of the occupied regions.

War Summarised

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (UP).—The fighting between the Russians and the Germans has been intensified. Berlin claimed that staggering blows have been inflicted on the Red army at both ends of the front and said that the Nazis are driving against the "immediate defences" of Leningrad.

Moscow asserted that Marshal Budennyi has succeeded in withdrawing 500,000 men to the eastward across the Dnieper river and that the German losses in the Ukraine fighting were three to one over the Russian losses.

Small Dams Dynamited

Berlin admitted that the Russians had successfully dynamited several TURN TO BACK PAGE, COLUMN 3

U. S. Policy In Pacific

Restated By Mr Hull

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, to-day reiterated that the United States policy in the Pacific is in opposition to intervention or the transfer of territory by force.

This comment occurred in connection with the reports published in New York that Japanese maps now show the annexation of certain small islands within 70 miles of the Philippines, including Spratly Islands.

Mr. Hull said that he was not fully acquainted with the facts of the publication, but reminded his questioners of the standard United States policies regarding forcible annexation of islands in the Pacific or any other ocean. He said that he would investigate the matter before commenting specifically.

Air Services Here To Be Increased

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (UP).—American and joint American-Chinese commercial air services in the Far East are expected to be increased shortly. Both the Pan-American Airways and Sino-American C.N.A.C. are expecting to receive new planes to increase all services west of Manila.

It is reported that Pan-American is expecting four new S-43's to operate on the Manila-Hongkong-Singapore line which is expected to enable the running of a twice-weekly service on those lines instead of fortnightly as at present. The C.N.A.C. is expecting six new Douglas D.C.-3's, three of which will be put in operation on all C.N.A.C. lines in China.

Wanted By Sat:—\$7,156.16

It is hoped that before noon to-morrow, the Bomber Fund will have reached the \$2,500,000 mark. A second donation of \$1,000 received this morning from "Q" reduces the amount needed to achieve this aim to \$7,156.16.

Deny Abuse Of Lend And Lease

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—It is learned here that the British Embassy at Washington has presented a note to the United States Government refuting the rumours that Britain is abusing the Lend and Lease supplies.

It declares that Britain is not exporting Lend and Lease material; secondly, that no profiteering is allowed in connection with the distribution of Lend and Lease supplies in Britain; thirdly, that Britain promises that no Lend and Lease goods will in the future be used for export.

It is understood that Britain explained to the United States that British steel and other materials exported to South America under contracts which were signed months before the Lend and Lease act became a law, left Britain before the passage of the act. They admitted that certain Lend and Lease commodities in which the ingredients were finished in British industrial products, like machinery, had been exported.

American and British authorities said that they had agreed that it would be mutually disadvantageous if the Empire ceased to be a commercially going concern.

LATEST

Americans Leaving Japan For Shanghai

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Aug. 22 (UP).—It is learned that the N.Y.K. apparently under Foreign Office pressure has accepted booking for 28 American officials by the Tatuta Maru which is sailing from Kobe for Shanghai on August 28.

The party includes nine navy, two marine and four army officers, plus a pair of consulate clerks, due home on leave, and nine consular employees who are evacuating Russia. Most of these are expected to obtain trans-Pacific passage by the transport ship Henderson. The N.Y.K.'s action is along what is believed to have been the original Embassy suggestion for the evacuation of officials when the Japanese sailings were cancelled. Three other Americans are also leaving.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Alleged Monster Plot To Usurp Vichy Govt.

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, Aug. 21 (UP).—The Paris weekly "E'Appel" announced to-day a monster anti-Vichy plot. Pretending to be a mysterious association of polytechnicians and high functionaries of Ministry of Finance, it is claimed that the insurrectionists were plotting to seize power on behalf of a secret society called "synarchy" as the antithesis of anarchy, grouping religious, cultural, ethnic as well as political groups.

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- The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the Hongkong Telegraph.
- All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
- No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
- All entries to be either black and white or tinted pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
- Pictures submitted in sepia tones. Could be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
- No picture to enter in more than one Section.
- Mounts to be only white or cream, size—10x12, 10x20.
- No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
- Members of the Staffs of the Hongkong Telegraph and the South China Morning Post are not permitted to compete.
- The decision of the Judges shall be final.
- At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the Telegraph offices within seven days.
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8.03 Indian Programme.
8.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.47. Sibellus—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43.
Serge Koussevitzky and The Boston Symphony Orchestra.
7.30 Portuguese Programme.
8.00 London Relay—The News.
8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.
8.25 London Relay—'Listening Post'.

Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.
8.30 Programme Summary.
8.32 Studio—Piano Recital by Harry Ore.

1. Symphonic Studies (Schumann);
2. Legend—"St. Francis Paulus Marching On The Waves" (Liszt); 3. (a) At Evening (Ludw. Schutte); (b) By The Cradle (Edw. Grieg); (c) Etude in C (Cyril Scott).
9.00 Local Time Signal and Announcement.

9.02 An Hour of Variety Requests.
Vocal—Perhaps (From film "Nice Girl"—Franchetti). Deanna Durbin with Orchestra; Vocal—Trees (Kilmer—Rasbach). Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra; Waltz—Roses From The South (Strauss). Marcel Weber and His Orchestra; Vocal—Rose Bonnette (From film "The Road to Singapore"). Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Vocal—Mexican Rose (Helen Stone—Jack Tenney). Bing Crosby with Orchestra; Vocal—Gems—Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs Selection. Joy Wilbur and His Orchestra; Vocal—Nobody's Baby (Davis, Ager, Santley). Anne Shelton with instrumental accompaniment; Humorous—Gold Clapham and Dwyer (The Radio Favourites); Vocal—Two Dreams Met (From film "Down Argentine Way"). Kenny Baker with Orchestra; Vocal—America, I Love You (Edgar Leslie—Archie Grotter). Berry Duo (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (On Short Wave Only).
9.45 Variety Requests (Continued).
Vocal—Down By The O-Hilo (Olman, Yelland). The O-Hilo Sisters with Orchestra; Orchestra—Girl Of The Golden West—Selection. Anton and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra; Vocal—Old Folks At Home (From film "Nice Girl"). S. Fuster. Deanna Durbin with Orchestra.

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
10.15 Request Dance Music.
Quick-Step—The Ferry Boat Serenade. The New Mayfair Dance Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Keep An Eye On Your Heart. Joe Reichenman and His Orchestra; Rumba—Chien Chien Yi. Leo Reisman and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—South Of Pago-Pago (From the film). Ray Kinney and His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors; Fox-Trot—Only Forever (From film "Rhythm on the River"). Billy Cotton and His Band; Tango—They Met In Rio. Rumba—Chien Chien Boom Chie (Both from film "They Met In Rio"). Leo Reisman and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Chatterbox (From film "That's Right, I'm Wrong"). Ambrose and His Orchestra; Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade. Roy Smeeck and His Hawaiian Serenaders; Fox-Trot—Love A Little. Music in the Rues Morgan Manner; Fox-Trot—You Lucky People You (From film "Road To Zanzibar"). Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—Ill Never Smile Again. Victor Silvester and His Orchestra; Swing Fox-Trot—Sting. Dux. Coleman Hawkins; Fox-Trot—Light Out. Little Jack Little and His Orchestra.

11.00 London—'Makers of History'.
A Talk by Desmond MacCarthy on the "Duke of Wellington".
11.15 Close Down.

THE LATE MR C. C. HOBBS

The following communiqué for publication has been received from the colonial Secretariat:
It is known that Mr C. C. A. Hobbs, Air Raid Precautions Architect, who died in tragic circumstances yesterday afternoon, was the principal witness at yesterday morning's sitting of the Air Raid Precautions Commission of Inquiry.
Mr Hobbs gave evidence for approximately one hour, and was instructed to return at three o'clock to produce certain documents and for further examination.

Bowl Of Rice Campaign Closes On September 1

The Bowl of Rice Campaign in aid of Chinese refugees organised by the China Defence League will be officially closed on September 1, when the results of the campaign will be announced, and banners presented to the contributing restaurants, at an afternoon reception at the Ying King Restaurant, Wanchai.

The campaign, which is under the patronage of H.E. the Governor of Hongkong, was opened by a dinner at the Ying King restaurant on July 1 when it was announced that it was hoped to raise a sum of H.K.\$40,000 by sale of tickets for "One Bowl of Rice" lunches subsequently held in 13 contributing restaurants in Hongkong. The lunches were held August 1-3 but a number of restaurants continued to provide rice-bowl meals during the whole month of August, and tickets for these are

Gloucester Arcade Arrest

Quick action on the part of Mr J. Remedios frustrated an attempt to steal a portable Philco Radio set from Gilman's Radio Department, Gloucester Arcade, shortly before 1 p.m. today.

Mr Remedios, who works in the Department, was returning to the shop when he saw an elderly Chinese trying to remove the radio from the show window. He immediately tackled the man and subdued him.

Another Chinese was inside the shop and it was learned that he had been speaking to the Department's clerk as the elderly man was attempting to take away the radio.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS
H.K. Banks \$.....1,300 b.
H.K. Banks £.....75 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £.....78 n.
Chartered Banks £.....9 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.....23 3/4 n.
Mercantile C. £.....11 1/2 n.
East Asia \$.....76 n.

INSURANCES
Canton Ins. \$.....225 b.
Union Ins. \$.....410 b.
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$.....105 b.

SHIPPING
Douglas \$.....120 n.
Steamboats \$.....8 1/2 n.
Indo-China P. \$.....99 n.
Indo-China S. \$.....70 n.
Shell (Barkers) \$.....50/- n.
Waterboats \$.....655 n.

DOCKS ETC.
Wharves \$.....91 n.
Docks \$.....16 sa.
Providents \$.....615 sa.
Shal Dockyard \$.....20 1/2 n.

MINE
Kollan \$.....13 1/2 n.
Rauba \$.....7 1/4 n.
H.K. Mines \$.....2 cts n.

LANDS
Hotels \$.....3 1/2 n.
Lands \$.....x.d. 35 n.
Lands 4% Debentures \$.....0 1/2 n.
Shal Lands \$.....20 n.
Humphreys \$.....12 n.
H.K. Realities \$.....320 n.
Chinese Estates \$.....101 b.

UTILITIES
Trams \$.....17 1/4 n.
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 n.
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/4 n.
Star Ferries \$.....22 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries \$.....22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) \$.....1 1/2 n.
China Lights (new) \$.....1 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric (old) x. ris. 22 sa.
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....21 1/4 n.
H.K. Electric Ris \$.....11 1/4 n.
Macao Electric \$.....15 1/2 n.
Sundakan Light \$.....12 n.
Telephones (old) \$.....23 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$.....8 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS
Cold. Macg. (Ord.) Sh. \$.....30 n.
Cold. Macg. (Pref.) Sh. \$.....25 n.
Canton Ice \$.....1 n.
H.K. Cements \$.....15 n.
H.K. Ropes \$.....9 n.

STORES
Dairy Farms \$.....18 1/2 n.
Watsons \$.....11 1/4 n.
Lane Crawfords \$.....6 1/2 n.
Sincere \$.....2 1/2 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....39 n.
Wm. Powell, Ltd. x.d. 1 1/2 n.

TEXTILE MILLS
Ewo Sh. \$.....37 1/2 n.
Shal Cotton Sh. \$.....305 n.

MISC.
H.K. Govt 4%.....06 b.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1934).....95 1/2 b.
H.K. Govt 3 1/2% (1940).....95 1/2 b.
Ch. Govt 5% 1925 GSBds.....42 n.
Entertainments \$.....0 1/2 n.
Constructions (new) 80 cts n.
Vibro Piling \$.....720 n.
Messmans Inv. (Lon.) \$/- 6 3/4 n.
Messmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/- 1 1/2 n.

Jews To Be Used As Gang Labourers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ISTANBUL, Aug. 21 (UP).—According to new arrivals from Bucharest, all Jews in Bucharest between the ages of 18 and 50 have been ordered to report to the War Department for labour. Those who are unable to work will be sent to farms, railways and pipelines.

It is alleged that German troops and not Rumanians killed the majority of the thousands of Jews who were recently reported to have been slaughtered in such centres as Jassy.

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Foreigners Evacuate Moscow

Arrive In Tokyo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Aug. 22 (Domei).—A group of eight American and British evacuees from Moscow, arrived here yesterday on route to America, but they are apparently joining local would-be foreign evacuees stranded due to the lack of transport facilities.

Wearily and dusty from their night-long and daylong rail trip from Tauriga on a circuitous route through northern Japan, the group immediately took baths and rest in the Imperial Hotel. The round train journey was necessitated because the usual line is at present overcrowded.

They found themselves virtually devoid of clothing since luggage was delayed en route making changes unavailable to-night. The party included Mrs. Neomila Magidoff, wife of the "Associated Press" correspondent at Moscow, and Mr. H. R. Habicht, former "United Press" correspondent at Moscow, with his wife and children.

DONATIONS TO BOMBER FUND

Yesterday's donations to the Bomber Fund were headed by a generous second donation of \$1,000 from Messrs. J. David & Co., Ltd. The "V for Victory" label again recorded good sales. The fund has now reached a total of \$2,401,700.34, the following being the latest donations: S. J. David & Co., Ltd. (second donation) \$1,000
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Mr. D. O. Russell ("V" Campaign 100 labels) 10
Mr. A. K. Diamond ("V" Campaign 100 labels) 10
Tang Fook Piano Co. ("V" Campaign 100 labels) 10
Colonial Dispensary ("V" Campaign 100 labels) 10
Repulse Bay Hotel ("V" Campaign 100 labels) 10
The "V" badge campaign through the Shanghai Royal Air Force Association have been sold out, but a cable has been despatched requesting further supplies.

Car Production Reduced

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—It is announced here today that there is a probability that the production of passenger automobiles will be reduced by 50 per cent during the 1942 model year which began on August 1. A 25 per cent reduction has already been ordered on the present

JAPAN CONTROL OF INDO-CHINA

Southward Expansion Aims

Special to the "Telegraph"
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (UP).—A responsible person who recently completed a tour of Indo-China and Thailand said that there was every indication of Japan's intention to pursue her southward expansion for a "co-prosperity sphere" despite American economic chastisement.

He said that the Japanese had virtually complete control of Indo-China and that they took over postal, telegraphic and press censorship on August 13 while radio communications were expected to be taken over a few days later.

German Appointment
The German official information bureau was at present managed by a German woman who arrived in Japan prior to the outbreak of the Russo-German war and landed in Indo-China a fortnight before the last Japanese reinforcement of troops there.

The returned traveller said that the border demarcation commission which was originally to comprise ten each of Japanese, French and Thais, at present comprised ten French, 20 Thais and 50 Japanese. The commission was obviously using pressure on both Bangkok and Hanoi threatening the former with the loss of her gains in the recent war and the latter with the remaining French administrative powers.

Thailand's Hopes
Thailand is still clinging to the slender hopes of complete neutrality although there is a definite tendency towards Japan because of the fear of her military force in the event of Thailand remaining adamant to the Japanese "requests."

The recent Cabinet changes were indicative of a tendency to favour appeasement although the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration definitely bolstered the anti-appeasement parties which was shown in the recent appointment of an anti-Japanese and two Fascist-minded persons to positions.

A Big Voice
TOKYO, Aug. 21 (UP).—Colonel Mabuchi, Army spokesman in a Press interview today urged the people to give serious thought concerning the changing world situation and to prepare to make personal sacrifices. He said that Japan's influence to-day extends from the north of the continent down to Indo-China, and therefore, "Japan is entitled to a big voice in the world war, and no nation will be able to do anything by ignoring Japan."

Comment On Axis
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The most outspoken Japanese comment yet made appeared in the Japanese-owned Singapore "Herald" as follows: "Hitler cares nothing for Japan except the use he can make of her to further his own ambitions. Nothing will happen to her if Japan plays her part carefully."

Police Inspector Injured

Inspector J. R. McWalter of the Hongkong Police was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday afternoon with a fractured arm caused in a motor cycle accident in Aberdeen on Wednesday, when the Inspector was thrown out of a Police motor-cycle side-car combination driven by Sergeant Sullivan at a sharp junction of the road.

It is believed that the combination overturned, causing Inspector McWalter to fall over the cycle on to the other side of the road. Sergeant Sullivan also suffered leg injuries.

production of trucks and this will be licensed to permit supplies for the army, navy, Russia, Britain and China.

Thailand Proclaims Neutrality

Appreciation Shown Of Assurances

BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—British and Japanese assurances to Thailand, her own determination to try her best to adhere to the strictest neutrality and her preparedness to die for freedom were three guarantees of Thai's security, said Luang Vichit Vathakarn, Deputy Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to-day. Later the speech was translated into English.

After reiterating the Thai policy adumbrated on July 29 and August 9, Luang Vichit Vathakarn said that Thailand must thank the British and Japanese for the assurances given by their spokesmen, including Mr. Anthony Eden and Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

He concluded that the Thais were ready to sacrifice everything in case of unprovoked aggression on which-ever side.

Change of Front

SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Arrivals from the Thai border have remarked on the curious reversal of Japanese propaganda in Thailand which till recently was consistently belittling British strength in Malaya and Burma. However, the Tokyo Radio yesterday stated that 220,000 troops were standing at the British frontiers from Singapore to Burma.

Despite the most emphatic and constant denials from Bangkok and Singapore, the Japanese continue their attempts to vilify the Thai atmosphere again and have put out "reports" that Thailand has received demands for bases from Britain.

Call To Be Ready

BANGKOK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Bangkok Radio last night counselled Thais to prepare themselves for any possible eventually while the country was still at peace.

The speaker emphasised that there was no change in the situation. Thailand did not face any danger of attack and he deprecated any attempts to sensationalise the precautionary advice. Nevertheless, he urged the public to be prepared with shelters, dug-outs and black-out accessories and study methods of dealing with incendiary bombs.

Foreigners Leave Harbin

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21 (Central News).—It is reported that more than 100 British and American evacuees left Harbin by special train yesterday. Most of them are going to Shanghai.

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The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended: Yunnan, Szechuan, Kweichow, Hunan, Kueikien except Ansoy, and Kiangsu, Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

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INWARD AIR MAILS
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 21st August Aug. 23.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 23rd September Sept. 9.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS
Friday, Aug. 22

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways".

K.P.O. and G.P.O.
Reg. Aug. 22, 4 p.m.
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Thursday, Aug. 23

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Reg. Aug. 23, 4 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 23, 4.30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 24

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.P.O.
Reg. Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
Ord. Aug. 24, 5.30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 25

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

K.P.O.
Reg. Sept. 9, 5 p.m.
Ord. Sept. 9, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday, Sept. 9

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services".

Suicide For Japan To Fight Says Sassoon
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"It would be sheer suicide for Japan to fight, as she has not control of the air without which her navy cannot operate," said Sir Victor Sassoon, on his arrival here to-day.

Sir Victor added that he did not think that Japan would go to war.

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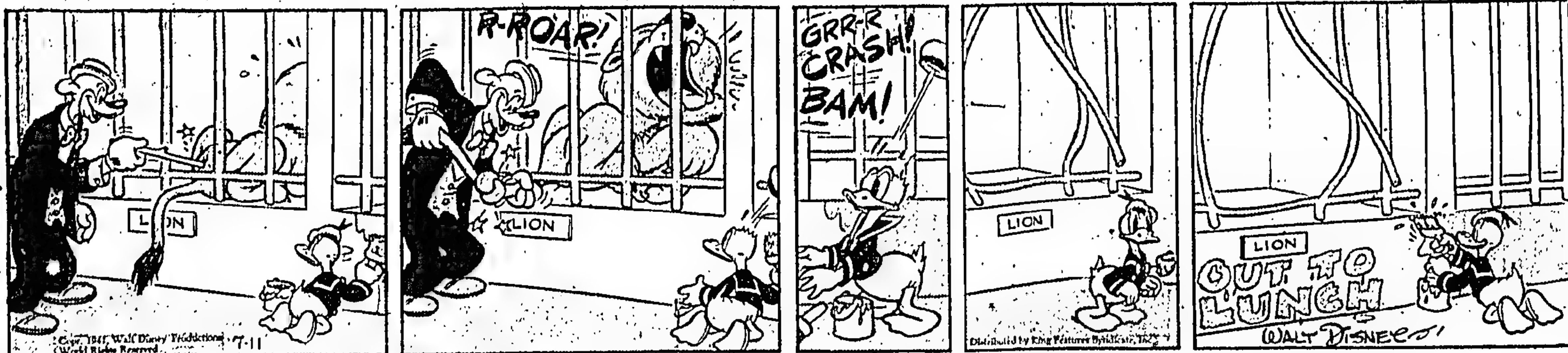
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ROOSEVELT'S ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR NEW WORLD ORDER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, AUG. 21 (UP).—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO CONGRESS TO-DAY SAID THAT ANY MAJOR OPPOSITION TO THE NEW WORLD ORDER OUTLINED IN THE ROOSEVELT-CHURCHILL EIGHT-POINT AGREEMENT WOULD BE TANTAMOUNT TO COMPROMISING WITH NAZISM.

"PERHAPS IT IS UNNECESSARY FOR ME TO CALL ATTENTION ONCE MORE TO THE UTTER LACK OF VALIDITY OF THE SPOKEN AND WRITTEN WORD OF THE NAZI GOVERNMENT," DECLARED THE PRESIDENT.

President Roosevelt's message in effect added two points to the eight objectives for the new World Order, namely freedom of religion and freedom of information.

Declared the President, "It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes the necessity of the world need for freedom of religion and freedom of information. No society of the world organised under the principles could survive without these freedoms which are part of the whole freedom for which we strive."

Mr Roosevelt asserted that Germany was specifically the "principal aggressor in the modern world."

He added that the Roosevelt-Churchill conference was a logical sequence to the policy of Congress sanction when it approved the Lend and Lease Act.

No Compromise

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt, in a message to Congress reporting on his epoch-making meeting at sea with Mr Churchill, said that the declaration of principles agreed upon there was so clear-cut that it would be difficult to oppose "without automatically admitting willingness to compromise."

These principles, the President added in his brief special message, also would be hard to oppose without admitting willingness "to agree to a world peace which would give to Nazism domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

Armed Breath

"Inevitably," adds the President, "such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take breath—an armed breath—for a second war to extend its control over Europe and Asia to the American Hemisphere itself."

Canadian Ships

White House officials say that President Roosevelt's message to Congress was suggested by Democratic Congressional leaders who conferred with the President on August 18 regarding the Churchill-Roosevelt meeting.

President Roosevelt's reference to Canadian ships is believed to be the first official announcement that Canadian ships were present at the scene of the conference.

Established Practice

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—By informing Congress officially of his talks with Mr Churchill, President Roosevelt has followed the practice he established in the case of the American ship Robin Moore, action taken and the policy pursued.

As on the previous occasion, his message calls for no action but to be approved by Congress. After that, the eight points will be the national policy rather than just the administration policy.

Strategy of Supply

The "clear gains" to which the President refers are already in evidence. The conversations on the high seas, combined with Lord Beaverbrook's activities here since and the coming Anglo-Russian-American conference indicate clearly a new strategy of supply with Washington as the nerve centre.

British and United States production of war supplies, it is reported, is now being made one integral whole, working with one purpose towards a single objective. A much higher degree of efficiency seems bound to result.

Taking In Russia

It is stated that efforts will now be directed towards bringing Russia into this supply system so that the industrial efforts of all three nations can be integrated and directed in an intelligent manner towards their common objective.

At present, it is added, there is not sufficient information coming from Russia either regarding fighting or production in the Soviet Union for this purpose, but it is believed that the position has been stated unequivocally to Moscow and it will be repeated—If necessary—when the tripartite talks in Moscow begin.

TEXT OF MESSAGE Congress Told Of Eight Principles

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (UP).—The text of President Roosevelt's message to Congress reporting on his conference with Mr Winston Churchill is as follows:

"Over a week ago I had several important conferences at sea with the British Prime Minister. Because of the fact of safety to British, Canadian and American ships and their personnel, no prior announcements of these meetings could properly be made."

"At the close, a public statement by the Prime Minister and the President was made. I quote it for the information of Congress and for the record. (The President then quoted the material text of his joint statement with Mr Churchill which was published in this paper on August 15)."

"Congress and the President having heretofore determined through the Lend and Lease act on a national policy of American aid to the democracies which in the east and west are waging a war against the dictatorships military and naval conquests at these meetings made clear gains in furthering the effectiveness of this aid."

Worth-While Goal

"Furthermore, the Prime Minister and I are arranging for conferences with the Soviet Union to aid in its defence against the attack made by the principal aggressor of the modern world—Germany. Finally, a declaration of principles at this time presents a goal which is worth while for our type of civilisation to seek."

"It is so clear cut that it is difficult to oppose in any major particular without automatically admitting a willingness to accept a compromise with Nazism; or agree to a world peace which would give Nazism a domination over large numbers of conquered nations."

"Inevitably, such a peace would be a gift to Nazism to take breath—for a second war to extend control over Europe and Asia to the American Hemisphere itself. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the spoken or written word of the Nazi Government."

"It is also unnecessary for me to point out that the declaration of principles includes, of necessity, the world need for freedom of religion and the freedom of information. No society in the world organised under these announced principles could survive without these freedoms which are a part of the whole freedom for which we strive. (signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt."

Vikings Take Wings Against Hitlerism

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—In a week or so, the first fighter squadron of the Norwegian Air Force in Britain will be ready to operate with the R.A.F.

Equipped with Hurricanes, its pilots and ground crews have come from all over the world. The pilots are all fliers of great experience who were either in the Norwegian Air Force or were commercial pilots before the invasion of Norway.

The Commanding Officer is a Norwegian Air Force Staff Officer who escaped.

Ventilation For H. K. A. R. P. Tunnels

Fans, driven by a diesel petrol motor, and which are in design very similar to aeroplane blades, are now being installed to ventilate the Colony's A.R.P. tunnels. This was revealed in an official communique this morning, which added that good progress was being made towards the completion of the tunnels.

The fans will ventilate by sucking in the fresh air from one end of a tunnel and driving it out at the other.

It was also revealed that the local A.R.P. had just received from England cinema films showing a first aid post, two rescue and demolition squads and fire fighting parties dealing with incendiary bombs in operation.

The first aid picture consists of four reels and the others of two reels each. They will be shown at the Pei Ho Theatre and Star Theatre on Sunday next at 9 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. respectively.

It is announced that eight fully qualified fire fighting instructors are now attached to the local A.R.P. and that a further dozen are shortly to become qualified. The instructors have been through an arduous course and are regarded as fully able to instruct on all forms of fire fighting technique in relation to A.R.P.

RAIDS ON N. FRANCE

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command, escorted by fighters, bombed iron and steel works at Ijmuiden in Holland and railways and industrial targets in Northern France to-day.

Conical Command aircraft with a fighter escort attacked enemy shipping off the French coast in a daylight sweep.

Direct Hits

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Blenheim aircraft of the Bomber Command have carried out three attacks on enemy occupied territory to-day, states an Air Ministry communique. In each of them they were escorted by strong forces of fighters and no bombers were lost.

Attacks were made on the iron and steel works at Ijmuiden, in Holland, where direct hits were obtained on rolling mills and other parts of the works.

In two offensives carried out over northern France, industrial targets and railways communications in the St Omer and Bethune areas were bombed.

Our Fighter Losses

The fighter escort fought a number of engagements with enemy fighters, one of which was destroyed. E-boats in the Channel were attacked by our fighters with cannon and machinegun fire.

Fourteen of our fighters are missing, but one of the pilots is safe. Other fighters escorted aircraft of the Coastal Command in an attack on enemy shipping off the French coast. No aircraft were lost in this operation.

Enemy Bomber Down

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—R.A.F. fighters shot down an enemy bomber into the sea off the east coast of England shortly before dusk this evening.

Prominent Nazis Among Casualties

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The death of the S.A. Group Leader Heinz Kitzmann, one of the oldest Nazi Party members, while fighting on the Russian front was reported by the German radio to-night.

Rome Radio announced earlier that Arthur Axmann, chief of the Hitler Youth, was also severely wounded, necessitating amputation of his right hand, in action on the eastern front.

Free French Promotions In Syria

DAMASCUS, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A number of important promotions in the Free French army in the Levant have been made by General Charles de Gaulle, Commander-in-Chief of the Free French forces.

They include promotion to the rank of General of Colonel Collet, at present Commander of the Damascus Garrison and delegate of Free France to the Syrian Government; Colonel Monclard, Governor of Jebel Druze; and Colonel Vallan, head of the Free French Air Force.

Colonel Collet was one of the first high French officers to go over to the Free French forces. He is the creator of the famous Circassian Legion.

CONTRACT BRIDGE How to Play AND How to Win
By JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

AN Expert's dislike of finesses is not based on his aversion to losing a trick here and there. A lost finesse, he realizes, may be a more serious matter than one trick—it may be control of the entire hand! Note to-day's deal.

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable; East-West 60 part-score.

♠ 8 7 4
♥ 6 3
♦ 9 8 5 3
♣ A 10 7 4

N
W
E
S

♠ A Q 6 2
♥ K 5 4
♦ 10 9 8
♣ K 5 2

The bidding:
East South West North
1 0 Double 2 0 Pass
Pass 2 0 Double Pass

South's bidding was of the sort that asks for trouble. His takeout double of one diamond was well advised, particularly with the opponents on score, but when North could not dig up a bid over such a mild shout as West's two diamonds, South should have surrendered. Either two spades or two hearts might be slaughtered. As a matter of fact, however, the particular dummy that South picked up, and the opposing distributions, should have made the risky bid turn out beautifully.

West opened the fourth highest of his partner's suit, the deuce of diamonds. East won, and made the correct shift to a trump. Declarer, a dyed-in-the-wool finesser, could not resist putting in his queen and as a result the hand "went to pieces." West won and continued trumps and, after that, declarer could ruff only

Axis Moves In South Balkans

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Reports from a very reliable source give the first indications since the Nazi invasion of Soviet Russia of Axis troop movements in southern Bulgaria.

In addition, Italian troops at Plovdiv, with Italian Staff Officers, are reported to have made a reconnaissance of the Maritza Valley.

Other reports speak of Italy increasing her garrisons in Greek islands.

Despite the possibility of such troop movements being the prelude to fresh Axis adventures in the Balkans, Turkey expresses complete confidence that Germany has no hostile intentions towards her.

New German Units

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Large scale German military movements in Bulgaria have begun. Advanced units of two German infantry divisions have arrived in the south in the past few days. They are fresh troops newly uniformed and well disciplined and are thought to have come from the interior of Germany.

These troops were accompanied by a considerable number of air force ground crews, and there are also reports that the Italians have moved troops into eastern Thrace and the Aegean islands off Turkey.

Ten to fifteen thousand Italian troops have been landed on the island of Samos.

MANUFACTURE OF MUNITIONS IN AUSTRALIA

CANBERRA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Munition workers in Australia are now estimated at 200,000—Some 50,000 more than the Government expected a year ago.

Announcing this, Mr P. A. McBride, Minister of Munitions, said that the number employed on the Government payroll is expected to be doubled this financial year.

Excluding the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation and the principal dockyards, Government-owned factories are now employing 36,000 operatives compared with 24,000 a year ago and 11,700 before the war.

The Control-losing Finesse

one heart in the dummy. He managed to make both of his low trumps by ruffing diamonds, but still ended up with only seven tricks.

Even without West's penalty double to warn him that the spade concentration was on his left, declarer should have pounced on East's trump lead with the ace. The two low hearts in his own hand could be salvaged only in one way, namely, through ruffing in the dummy's and, obviously, one cannot ruff losers with trumps that have ceased to exist.

It should have taken no great perspicacity on South's part to realize that if the spade queen lost to West a trump return would reduce dummy to one ruff. The correct play of the spade ace would have resulted in declarer's fulfilling his contract with an extra trick. The ace and king of hearts and a heart ruff would follow, then declarer would ruff a low diamond with his deuce of trump. The fourth heart would be ruffed while East would be forced impotently to discard, and another diamond would bring home declarer's six of trump. A lead to the club ace and the ruffing of dummy's last diamond with the queen of trump would leave West in the embarrassing position of having three high trumps with which to ruff his own partner's club tricks.

To-morrow's Hand

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

♠ A 8
♥ A K 5
♦ K 10 9
♣ K 10 7 6 4

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♠ 7 5 4
♥ 10 4 2
♦ A 7 5 3 2
♣ Q 6

♠ K Q 8
♥ J 8 7
♦ J 9 8
♣ J 8 3

How should South play his three notrump contract? Opening lead spade jack.

Trade Sanctions On Japan Are Intended To Punish

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The "Manchester Guardian" in a leader on the rumours of the possibility of trade licensing between Britain and Japan, states: "If when the freezing of Japanese assets was announced it was intended to allow a certain amount of trade to pass by way of granting licences, it would only be natural to make arrangements to finance it. But that was certainly not what the public understood these sanctions to mean. They were imposed on account of the Japanese invasion of Indo-China."

"Clearly, if economic counter-measures are to serve any purpose, they must hurt. Substantial concessions might weaken that purpose without removing the irritation caused by the general principle. That such concessions are being considered has so far been suggested mainly from Japanese sources. This is denied in London though not as firmly as could be desired."

Gout Explanation

"One Government authority last night asserted that the arrangements would cover only a few thousand pounds designed mainly for payment of diplomatic and consular expenses. Another department on the night before at least suggested clearing accounts being inaugurated both here and in other parts of the Empire for the financing of any mutual trade that might be officially approved. Licences, said this statement, would be granted only within the limits of the funds available on the clearing account."

Use of Loopholes

"Undoubtedly the Japanese may well desire to make the greatest possible use of any loophole so that they can replenish their stocks. If they have been given the impression that the present arrangement might be shaped into a thin wedge, they should be quickly disillusioned. Any suggestion that trade licences might be granted on financial grounds or even grounds that certain materials are of no use in our war effort and can therefore be spared would deprive the sanctions of all meaning. A grave step has been taken for reasons of high strategy. The risks are well-known and have been weighed in advance. Any weakness of execution, or any suspicion of financial arrangements that might serve without further formality to cover up a breach of the embargo would not lower the risk but would wholly undo the effect of the action."

Band Concert On Saturday

An open-air concert by the massed bands in aid of the British Prisoners of War Fund will be held to-morrow commencing at 9.30 p.m. at the Hongkong Cricket Club ground and not to-night as inadvertently reported in one paper.

Ranee Of Sarawak Returns To Her Home

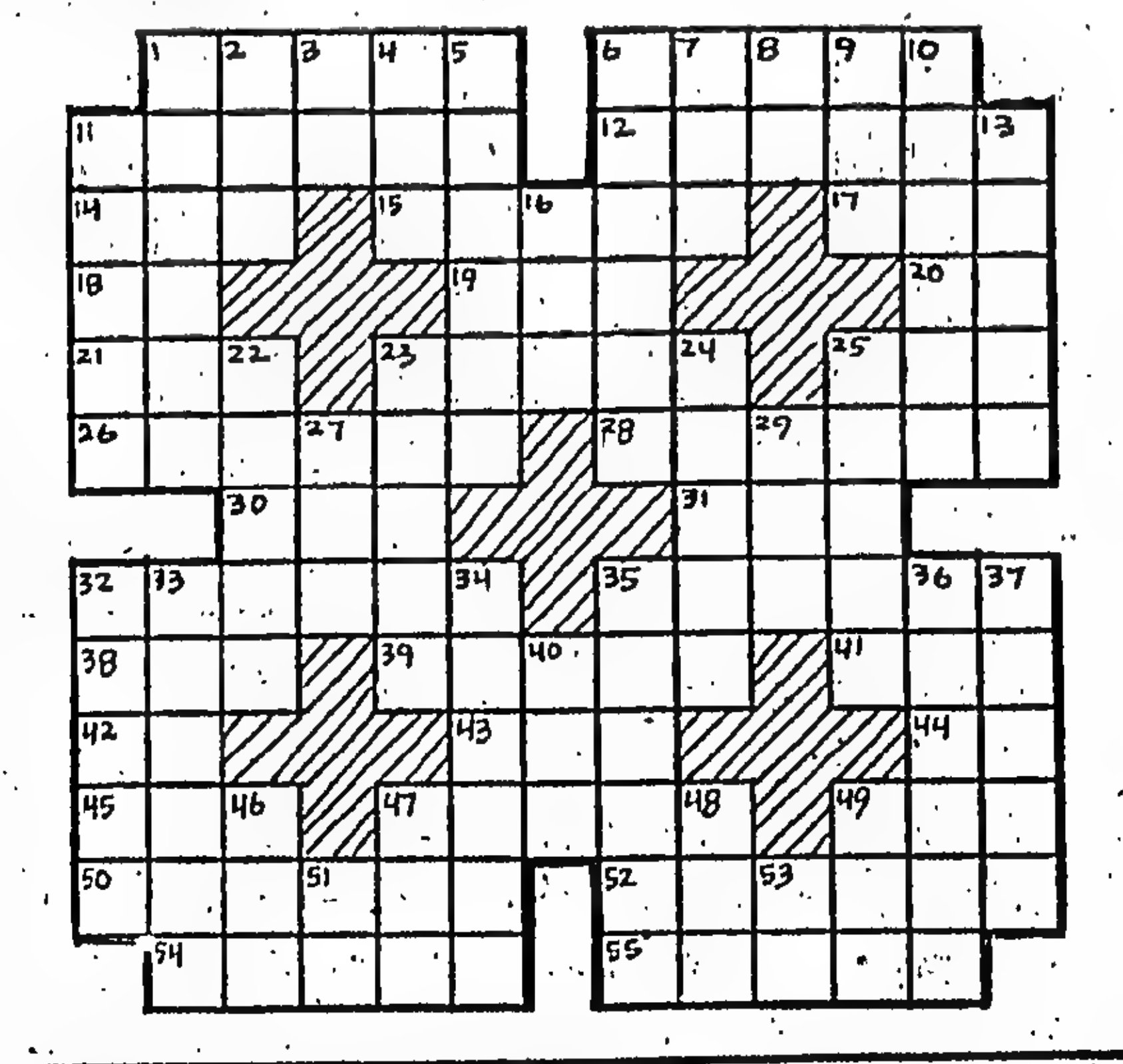
SINGAPORE, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Lady Brooke, Ranee of Sarawak, arrived to-day by clipper. She is on her way to Sarawak after an absence of nearly two years, during which she has earned her own living in the United States.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS
1—Bubbles
2—Authenticating data
3—Wound
4—Riotous
5—Single person
6—Last Australian
7—Rocky pinnacle
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DOWN
1—Double-flat in
2—Minor
3—Correct
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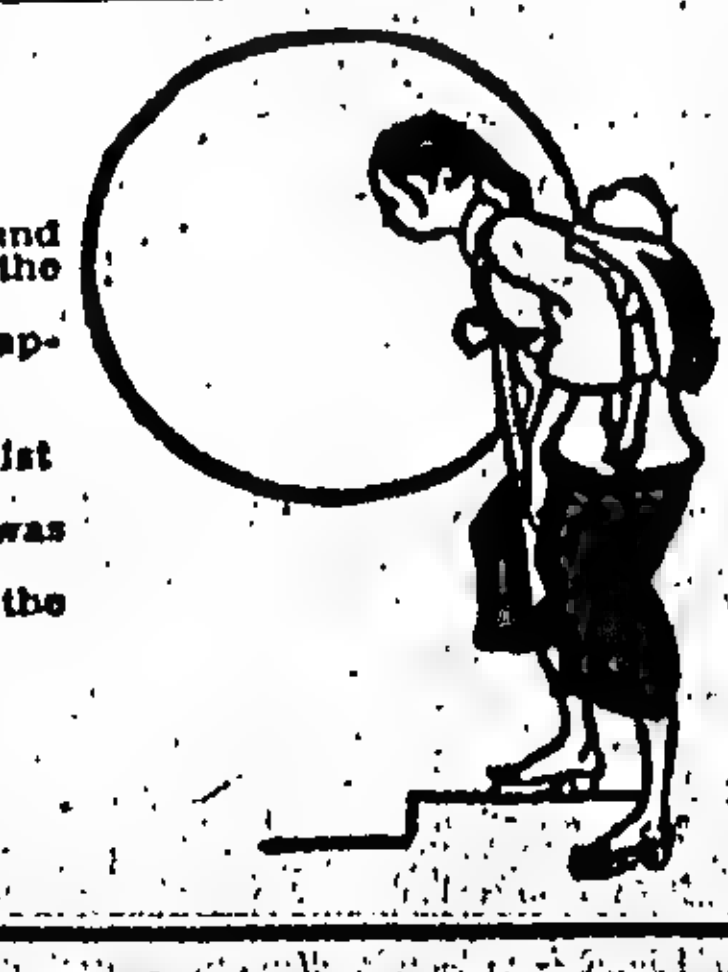
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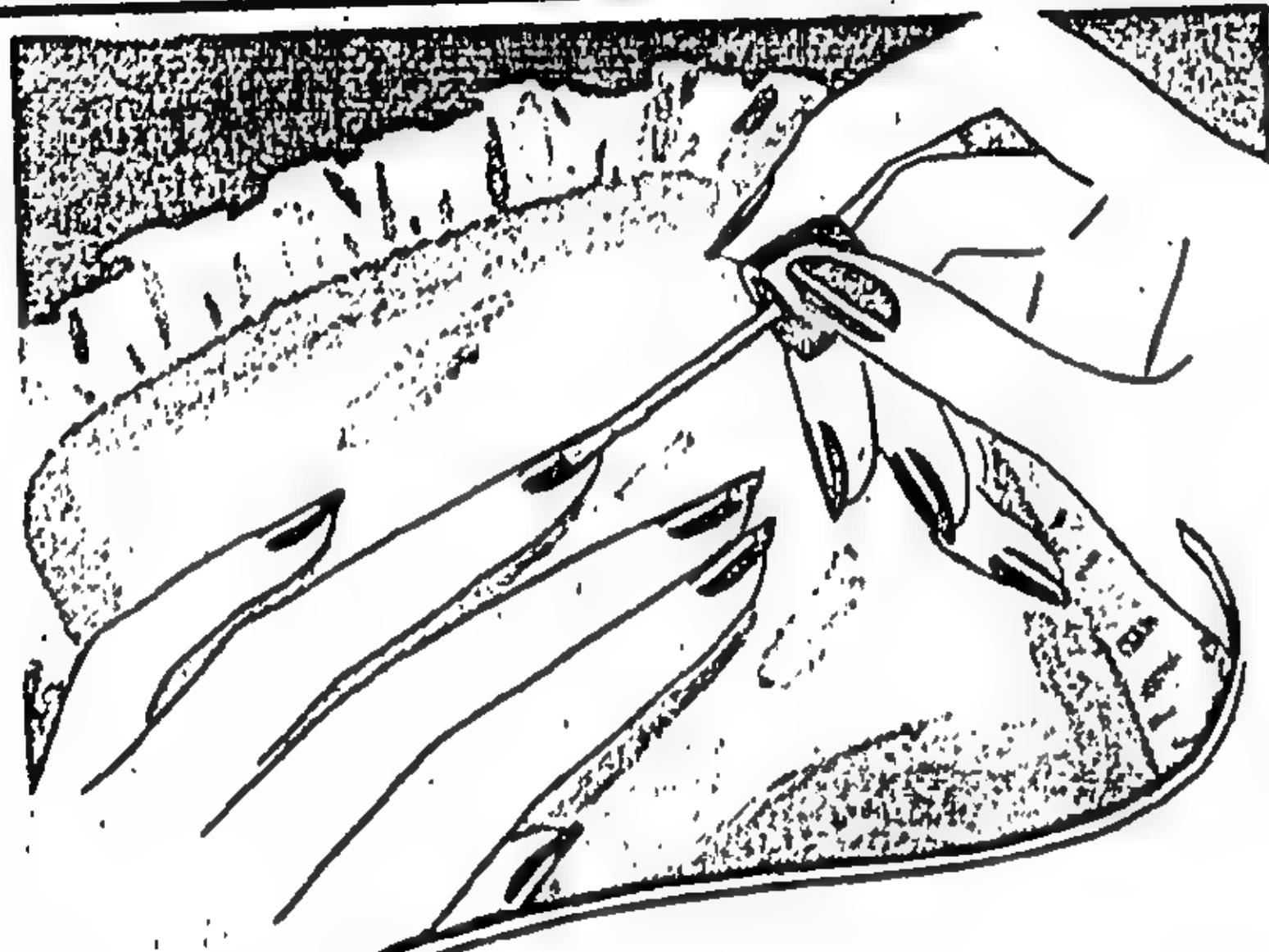


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THE ACHILLES HEEL

THE latest news from Russia is not quite so encouraging as it was two weeks ago. The Germans have admittedly made distinct advances and gained certain strategic positions which must necessarily prove a correspondingly serious blow to the Soviet. But apart from this, little is known of what is actually happening on the 1,200 mile battle front. That the Soviet troops are retreating across the Dnieper may indicate that the German push is too powerful to resist, or it may mean that General Budenny is anxious to conserve his forces for later assault. He is well aware that the further the Nazis penetrate into the country the approach of winter will add to their difficulties and winter is now not far off along the greater portion of the Russian front. At the same time the actual strength of the two opposing armies is not known, and will probably remain conjectural until the final stages of the war.

It has always been conceded that Russia's weakness does not lie in the direction of manpower—the known population of the Union allows for this admission—but the actual armoured strength of the country or of its air force has never been divulged, and neutral observers are still forbidden to visit the fighting zone. Mr Harry Hopkins, however, when in Moscow talked with Soviet leaders and unless their information was intentionally misleading, he must have received sufficiently reassuring data to encourage the sending of British and American aid to that country in large and increasing quantities. President Roosevelt, who probably have gained his information largely from Mr. Hopkins' report, expressed himself on his return to Washington from his momentous meeting with Mr Winston Churchill, as satisfied that Russia could resist almost indefinitely. This is good news in the face of the Russian retreat which can, therefore, be more easily listed as a strategic move rather than a defeat.

Germany's strength, in spite of many statistics and expert opinion, is as unknown as Russia's is today. Germany's armoured equipment is said to be enormous and Hitler has the whole of Europe to

THE HISTORIC BATTLE OF EGYPT



Why We Shall Win By Philip Jordan

WHO WAS "NEWS-CHRONICLE" WAR
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THERE is now being fought on Egyptian soil what may yet prove to be one of the decisive battles of the world. We shall win it.

But such a statement needs explanation, for it has none of the frivolity which characterises the utterances of the so-called "military spokesman" in Cairo. It is a serious statement, made with no wish to underestimate the gravity of the situation or to suppose for one second that it is of no importance that German mechanised units, handled by superbly trained soldiers, are now fighting on Egyptian territory from which the nearest enemy was more than 250 miles only a few short weeks ago.

We suffered a tremendous set-back. Let us admit that at once. But the situation, as this article will show, so far from being irredeemable, can and will be saved.

Although the menace to Egypt has not been removed it has been immobilised. The true danger to our position in the Middle East and to our industrial interests to the east of the Suez Canal is from the air.

WHEN the Germans advanced suddenly upon Benghazi in much greater force than our military intelligence had expected their ultimate aim was the naval base of Alexandria in the Nile delta. We can take that for granted. If Alexandria were captured Egypt would immediately fall.

The Germans threw into Libya, at considerable risk, far heavier forces than were necessary to create merely a diversion sufficiently strong to draw north enough troops to prevent us either from completing the conquest of Italian East Africa or from sending adequate military assistance to Greece.

What they launched against Egypt was a full-scale offensive, that is to say, an offensive built on a scale as large as they can operate with efficiency under conditions that make it impossible to supply really large numbers of rapidly moving troops with everything that they need.

We do not know for certain how many troops they have; but I see no reason to alter the estimate of about three mechanised divisions. These three divisions—there may be four—draw upon. But the question of all consumption is one that may determine Germany's downfall. The extent of Hitler resources in this respect signifies the extent of Germany's strength in armoured divisions. That Germany's consumption of this essential commodity is enormous is an acknowledged fact. It is also known that Germany cannot hope to obtain all her requirements from Rumania.

Nazi leader is straining every nerve to reach further supplies of oil is equally clear. If these supplies had been adequate, why did he invade Russia at this time instead of attacking Britain before her strength grows too formidable?

and infantry are probably the maximum number that could be put into the field without weighting the scales too violently on the side of certain defeat.

TO mount a desert operation a more finely adjusted balance between supply and demand has to govern the directing brain than is the case in warfare across inhabited territories. In desert war the land yields nothing to the soldiers who fight across its face.

Taken by and large, then, we may say that our troops have probably already felt the full weight of the enemy's attack. It is unlikely to increase.

For the air no such correct estimate can be made. In London it is believed that the German bombers have moved something like 1,000 aircraft—fighters, bombers and dive-bombers—into Southern Italy, Sicily and Tri-
poli.

British and Imperial pilots have long and valuable experience of desert flying, a circumstance which adds to their mastery of the air, for desert flying is altogether different from flying in Europe, which has so far been the sole training ground of the Nazis.

The main consideration is that this air superiority must be maintained if the Battle of Egypt is not to be in doubt. Not only must the enemy be prevented from free operation over Egypt itself, but also from being able to range with fighters and bombers over the Mediterranean, where Germany has no ships to challenge our naval superiority.

BETWEEN Benghazi and Alexandria there are about 750 miles of comparative desert. An army forced to abandon the former and charged with the duty of defending the latter has a choice of only two places from which to fight. Tobruk and Mersa Matruh.

Tobruk and Mersa Matruh are the only two possible defence positions along this line from which a numerically smaller and worse equipped army can offer any real resistance.

Tobruk and Mersa Matruh are still in British hands.

It is true that German mechanised units have by-passed Tobruk; but so long as it remains in British hands they cannot throw the full weight of their attacking force against Egypt.

Units that have gone on to Sollum and descended the escarpment into Egyptian territory are no doubt formidable, but they can achieve little or nothing until Tobruk, the menace to their left flank, is silenced.

So far from being silenced, Tobruk is giving evidence of great vitality. From its docks British forces have made sorties which have resulted in a great deal of damage to the enemy forces.

TOBRUK will take a lot of silencing. It may never be silenced; but in the meantime, so long as it holds out, it delays the attack proper on Egypt and thus gives us time to mass troops and equipment at Mersa Matruh, where our commanders may well choose to meet the enemy.

We hear stories of fierce fighting here and there. Fierce, no doubt, it is; but not important in the ultimate sense except so far as it continually tests the extended strength of the enemy; delays his arrival closer to Mersa Matruh, and makes it possible for the Navy to play in defence as sound a part as it played in attack last February.

The Navy is already in action, in fact. The annihilation of entire enemy convoys in the Mediterranean narrows is an indirect contribution of inestimable value to our land forces.

In slightly smaller degree so is its successful bombardments of Fort Capuzzo, where its well-placed shells have destroyed many enemy vehicles and inflicted a number of casualties.

Mersa Matruh itself is a strong fortress, aided not only by the ingenuity of man, but particularly by nature. This is no time to speak in detail of its artificial defences. If the Germans ever reach here they will no doubt learn something of them by bitter experience.

BUT its natural defences are such that an attacking force could not reasonably hope ever to by-pass it and go on towards the Nile delta.

South elementary schools, secondary schools of it, a little to the east, lies the great Kattara depression, a marsh hundreds of feet below sea level, hundreds of miles in length. It is a natural tank trap with slides 600ft. high; and because it lies where it does there is only one way for an attacking army to reach Alexandria; and that is slap through Mersa Matruh itself. I do not think we need fear that. Rash it may be to prophesy; but I will say here and now that the only Germans who will go east of Mersa Matruh will go as prisoners of war.

If, then, you hear of fighting at Buq Buq, at Sidi Barrani, do not imagine for a second that all or much is lost. Mersa Matruh is the only place from which a defence can be mounted.

If we decide to counter-attack, of course, it may be that the Germans will never reach Mersa Matruh. But our generals alone know whether we are yet strong enough to take the offensive. Indications to date are that we will, for the time being, remain on the defensive; and that an attempt will be made to isolate the enemy from Europe.

DISAPPOINTING and discouraging as the news from Libya is, and as it will be for a time, we must not lose heart or criticise without the facts. When all these facts are made public we shall know right not to have gone on to Tripoli. With the material at his hand he did wonders; he destroyed an army with a handful of men. And with that handful and a few more he destroyed an empire.

Schools' Reforms After War

The President of the Board of Education recently said that his Department had completed a report on the methods by which post-war educational reforms might be effected. He was speaking at the London conference of the Association of Education Committees.

"Our educational framework and machinery are old-fashioned already; after the war they will be obsolete," he said.

He suggested that the first great task might be to make senior elementary schools, secondary schools of it, a little to the east, lies the great Kattara depression, a marsh hundreds of feet below sea level, hundreds of miles in length. It is a natural tank trap with slides 600ft. high; and because it lies where it does there is only one way for an attacking army to reach Alexandria; and that is slap through Mersa Matruh itself. I do not think we need fear that. Rash it may be to prophesy; but I will say here and now that the only Germans who will go east of Mersa Matruh will go as prisoners of war.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You never argue with me, Harold—one would think we'd been married for years!"

Deraiment Of Train And Bombs At Soochow

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 21 (UP).—Amid report of increasing guerrilla activity in the vicinity of Soochow, a Japanese military spokesman admitted to-day the deraiment between Soochow and Kashi—a branch line of the Shanghai-Nanking railway—of a mixed passenger and freight train at 5.15 p.m., resulting in two killed and 28 wounded.

The admission followed Chinese reports that the tracks had been removed causing the locomotive and four cars to overturn into the river.

The Japanese said that heavy rains had caused the lowering of the rail and the deraiment. It is recalled that a guerrilla land-mine blew up a freight train on Saturday night on the main line between Shanghai and Soochow.

Bernhard Flies With Compatriots

Now Ready For Action

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands visited a Royal Air Force aerodrome yesterday where Dutch fighter pilots are in training, the Prince arriving in his own plane which he was piloting.

He took off as leader of a training formation of nine machines, all piloted by Dutch flyers.

On landing the Prince said to his compatriots, "I am proud that thanks to the co-operation of the R.A.F. we are now able to train Dutchmen as fighter pilots here in England so that shortly we may have many Dutch squadrons in action with the R.A.F."

"These squadrons will fly Spitfires presented by the Netherlands East Indies."

"I am grateful for the excellent training the R.A.F. has given me and I have no doubt that you will all appreciate the facilities given you by Great Britain. I wish you all the best of luck during and after your training."

AUSTRALIAN AID FOR SOVIETS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CANBERRA, Aug. 21 (UP).—The Prime Minister, Mr. R. M. Menzies, to-day stated that Australia is sending large shipments of supplies to Russia.

"Australia is engaged in affording all assistance to Russia so that she can obtain essential import requirements," Mr. Menzies declared.

Pacific Islands Claims

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—That the United States would give with concern and refuse to recognize any formal Japanese annexation of additional Pacific Islands was indicated by Mr. Cordell Hull at press conference to-day.

It is pointed out here that the Spratly Group in South China are now shown as Japanese possession in new Tokyo maps which indicate an extension of the original Japanese annexation. Seven islands of this group over which Japan assumed jurisdiction in 1933 had been occupied by France in 1933 but the Japanese contended that they were without an owner. Annexation at that time caused considerable misgivings.

Illustrious Has New Commander

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The aircraft-carrier *Illustrious*, which is in an American shipyard for repairs, will be commanded by Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, says a British press service.

Yesterday's announcement from London did not disclose the whereabouts of the *Illustrious*.

It will be recalled that the *Illustrious* was the main target of the German and Italy dive-bombers on January 10 when British warships were escorting a large vital convoy to Greece. The Admiralty then announced that she was struck by seven large bombs which put several of her guns out of action and caused several fires aboard.

Under her own steam, with an escort of destroyers, the *Illustrious* reached Malta.

Lord Louis Mountbatten formerly commanded the destroyer *Kelly* which was sunk in the Crete campaign after fighting bravely in a daring escape from destruction.

POLISH ARMY IS FORMING IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—An army of between 100,000 and 120,000 Polish soldiers is likely to be formed on U.S.S.R. territory, according to the present estimate of General W. Anders, newly-appointed Polish C-in-C in Soviet Russia, and General Szyzko-Bohusz, Chief of the Polish Military Mission there.

It is reported from Moscow, where these Generals have taken up duties, that it is considered that a Polish army of between four and six army corps would be raised among the former Polish war prisoners capable of bearing arms.

Mr King On Harmony In Imperial Decisions

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Mr Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, saw Lord Cranborne, Secretary of State for the Dominions at the Dominions Office this afternoon. He also called on Mr Angus Macdonald, Canadian Minister of Defence at his hotel.

A large gathering of journalists presided over by Mr Brendan Bracken, Minister of Information, met the visiting Premier at the Ministry of Information when he was questioned on his views about an Imperial War Council.

Mr King said he thought they had the most perfect and continuous conference of cabinets that any group of nations could possibly have.

It was essential to have an effective means of communication between different parts. "I have been in office many years and I say without hesitation that I cannot conceive a more effective means of communication than now exists," he added.

Direct Communication
As head of the government in Canada he received communications direct from Mr Churchill and was also able to communicate with him. In addition communications came almost hourly from the Dominions Office giving a complete picture of what was taking place.

Moreover the British High Commissioner in Canada, which he was able to impart personally to the Prime Minister or other Ministers of Canada.

At all times but particularly in times of great emergency important decisions should be made not by one man but by the government as a whole. Under the present arrangements if a communication was addressed by the United Kingdom Government to the Government of Canada, the Canadian Prime Minister was able to give expression to the collective opinion of the Cabinet representing Parliament and the people of Canada.

Consensus of Opinions
"It might seem," went on Mr Mackenzie King, "that some Imperial Cabinet sitting in London would be more effective in making decisions. But what is expressed to-day through the Cabinets of Dominions is in more effective in reaching quick and true decisions than other arrangements could possibly be."

"I was present at the War Committee of the British Cabinet to-day. I would not be in a position on my own initiative to say without consultation with my colleagues in Ottawa and through them with their allied services colleagues just what was the opinion which could be given to the Government. That would mean cabling to the other side and getting word back before I could communicate."

"It is very much easier to give the Cabinet an opinion by being able to discuss it with my colleagues in all its phases and thus represent it to the Government here as a collective opinion."

Warm Relations
Mr Mackenzie King said that there had never been a time when relations had been closer than they were to-day, nor when they had less in the way of differences between them. There had never been a single point of difference or any essential matter since the beginning of the war between the Canadian and United Kingdom Governments.

In the last war differences arose continuously between the Government and between the military and civil authorities. In this war there has not been any difference between the military and civil authorities or between the governments themselves.

The reason for that was that before any important step had been taken, the Dominions had been consulted and had been able to express their view and the general consensus of opinion had been reached as a result.

Suez Canal Area Again Raided

CAIRO, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A British G.H.Q. communiqué states that in the Tobruk area, heavy dust storms continue to limit our patrol activities.

In the frontier area there is no change. The Suez Canal area had another air raid last night. A communiqué states that two were killed and 28 were injured and that there was slight damage to property.

Some Damage
NICOSIA, Cyprus, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Enemy planes raided Famagusta this morning, causing some civilian casualties and slight damage to civilian property.

One Killed
NICOSIA, Cyprus, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—It is learned that one civilian was killed and six injured in this morning's raid on Famagusta.

Invasion Of Britain
TOKYO, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"The situation on the eastern front makes an attempt at invading England improbable this year," states the Berlin correspondent of the "Asahi" in a cable to his newspaper in Tokyo to-day.

Chiung Kai-shek's Telegram To Hongkong

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegram to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange in Hongkong expressing appreciation of their recent efforts in raising \$200,000 (Chinese currency) to aid the Chinese Government in the war against the Japanese. The telegram was sent on the fourth anniversary of the Shanghai hostilities on August 13, says "Central News."

MYSTERY OF FRANCE'S RESERVES OF BULLION

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"Where is the Bank of France's gold?" asks the "Financial News" to-day, commenting on the first weekly statement published by the Bank of France since the collapse, showing that the gold reserves of the Bank amount to 84½ milliard francs.

This figure does not differ materially from the amount of gold holding before the Franco-German armistice. The question is how much of this gold is under the effective control of the Vichy authorities?

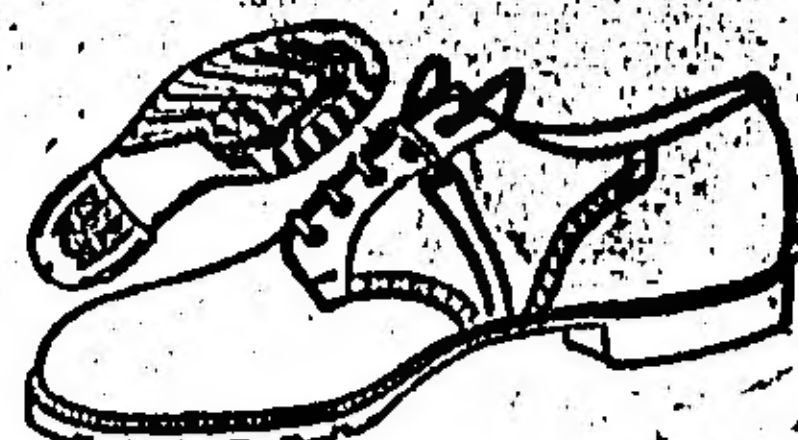
As is well known, a large amount transferred to the United States before the collapse and was frozen by order of the Washington administration. Another substantial amount found its way to Martinique and is kept there.

An agreement was recently reached between the Vichy Government and the United States Government by which the former undertook to consult the latter before moving any gold from Martinique. In return the American authorities agreed to release some of the French gold frozen in the United States for the urgent requirements of the inhabitants of Martinique.

Some At Dakar
A substantial part of the French gold reserve was evacuated to Dakar. Complete mystery surrounds the fate of this gold.

According to one theory, a French warship transferred it to Martinique, but it is more probable that the gold is still at Dakar. One wonders how long it will be before the Vichy Government agree to surrender part of its gold to Germany.

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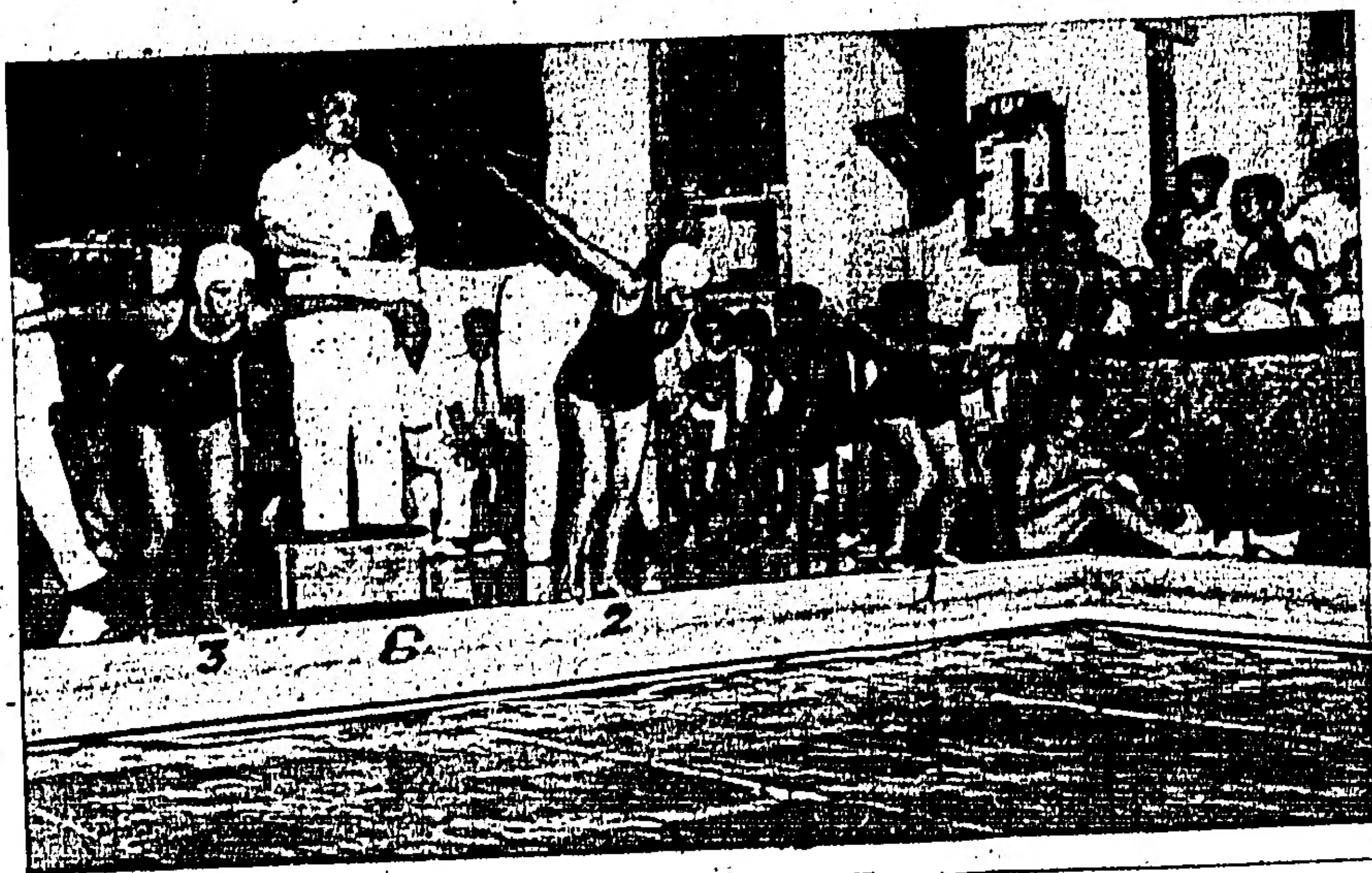
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Items Of Interest To Swimmers

Inter-Schools Gala At V.R.C. To-morrow



Start of the women's 100 yards breast-stroke at the Lai Tsun V.R.C. gala last Saturday. Mr S. H. Wong is starting Miss Ko Miu-ling (the winner), Miss M. Noronha and Miss Lo Po-kam.—Ming Yuen.

Exhibitions By Champions
To Encourage Youngsters

High Standard For
Senior Girls' Competitions

(By "Tinker")

THOUGH GREATER SUPPORT may have been shown by the Schools, there were, nevertheless, a most encouraging number of entries for the inter-schools' gala arranged by the Victoria Recreation Club, and the finals will be held to-morrow evening at 5 p.m. at the latter's pool.

The early start is to accommodate those spectators who are desirous of attending the open air band concert on the Cricket Club ground later in the evening.

Competition promises to be very keen, for though times in the heats were nothing outstanding, and give but slight promise of champions of the future, the results generally show that the finalists are of a muchness that will tax the eyesight of the judges at the finishing line.

But from the girls will come the best competition, as regards standard, for in their ranks are included Miss Ko Miu-ling, the Lai Tsun star who will be swimming for the Yung Wah Girls' School, Miss Jackie Anderson, outstanding sprinter of the V.R.C. who will be turning out for the French Convent, Miss Celeste Gutierrez, V.R.C.'s most promising girl swimmer who will represent St Mary's School, Miss Tsang Fung-kwan, Lai Tsun breast-stroke representative who swims for the Bellflos Public School.

The first three named are opposed in the 50 yards free-style, with any one of them likely to win, the last three will appear in the 50 yards back-stroke, while Miss Tsang should have little difficulty in winning the 50 yards breast-stroke.

As encouragement to the youngsters, outstanding swimmers of the V.R.C. and the Colony will give exhibitions over their various events, which, with a running commentary, as scheduled, should be most instructive. In these events, A. K. Rumlajn, Colony back-stroke champion, will give a demonstration; Luiz M. Remedios, butterfly stroke, and David Hutchinson, Colony sprint champion, will show his methods over 100 yards.

Added, Ed. da Roza and Lionel Roza-Perelra will appear in a fancy diving exhibition, which will follow immediately after the Senior Boys' fancy diving event. The students may learn much by contrast.

The list of events and entries will be as follows:—
1. Boys' Junior Diving—K. Thomas (St Stephen's), C. Gutierrez (La Salle), Chan Yuen-tai (St Stephen's) and Chow Kong-pui (Chung Wah).
2. Boys' Senior 100 yards free-style—J. Gomes (St. Joseph's), G. Roselle (D.D.S.), W. Fong (St. Stephen's) and Donald Young (St. Joseph's).
3. Boys' Junior 100 yards free-style—K. Thomas (St. Stephen's), R. Souza and C. Gutierrez (La Salle).
4. Girls' 50 yards free-style—Ko Miu-ling (Yung Wah), C. Gutierrez (St. Mary's), J. Anderson, J. Arcuill and Y. Yolie (French Convent).
5. Boys' Senior 100 yards breast-stroke—Kong Yiu-wing, G. Wong and Kwong Chiu-shan (La Salle), Lee Cheuk-lam (Yung Wah) and Chan Chen-po (St. Joseph's).
6. Boys' Junior 50 yards breast-stroke—R. Souza and W. Ribeiro (La Salle), Ko Yui-hong (St. Joseph's) and Chow Kong-pui (Chung Wah).

Longest Match in U.S. Tennis History 102 Games In 4 Hours

NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The longest match in the history of the American national tennis championship was played at Brooklyn, Massachusetts, yesterday when Bryant Grant, the small but tenacious Davis Cup player, beat Russell Bobbitt, of Atlanta, and Robin Hippinsteel, of California, after four hours.

Scores were 14-12, 15-17, 6-4, 4-6, 13-11.

Grant twisted his ankle in the second set.

League Tennis

Overwhelming Win For C.R.C. In 'D' Division

TWO MATCHES in the "D" Division of the Tennis League were played yesterday, Chinese R.C. trouncing Central British Association 9-0, and Post Office 5½-2½.

Scores were:

C.R.C. 9 C.B.A. 0
K. M. Wong and Lu Tak-lam beat D. Smith and T. Tomashevsky 7-2, beat 8-6; Fowles and N. Smith 6-3; beat B. Dickford and N. Whitley 6-4.
T. F. Choi and C. N. Tsang beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-3; beat Fowler and Smith 6-3; beat Dickford and Whitley 6-3.
Chan Yu and Y.M.C. Hong beat Smith and Tomashevsky 6-4; beat Fowler and Smith 6-1; beat Dickford and Whitley 6-1.
Post Office 5½ J.R.C. 3½
J. Howlett and W. Morrison beat S. Ramler and B. Godkin 6-3; beat A. Pollak and M. Talan 6-3; beat E. Whitgob and A. Odell 6-2.
A. G. Macpherson and Y. S. Fung beat Ramler and Godkin 6-4; drew with Pollak and Talan 6-6; beat Whitgob and Odell 6-3.
S. K. Chin and C. C. Chan lost to Hamner and Godkin 6-8; lost to Pollak and Talan 6-6; lost to Whitgob and Odell 6-7.

Polish Olympic Champion Tortured To Death

Nazis Seek Information

JANUSZ KUSOCINSKI, Polish long-distance runner, who won the 10,000 metres race in the Olympic Games at Los Angeles in 1932, has been tortured to death, by the Gestapo, according to news reaching Polish circles.

Kusocinski, like many hundreds of other prominent citizens, was charged by the Germans with being connected with anti-German underground activities.

Although they had no proof, the Gestapo were determined to extract information from Kusocinski, who was tortured for several months before being put to death.

They first broke his legs which had brought him so many athletic victories in various parts of the world, and during a second "investigation" they broke his right arm and damaged his right eye.

Later, Kusocinski was thrown into a dark cell with practically no food or water and was periodically subjected to cruel tortures and third degree methods.

Would Not Tell
A fellow-prisoner who saw Kusocinski at this stage, stated that he looked like a broken old man, with a long white beard, and was practically blind and dumb.

He died later and his name has been added to the long list of martyred Polish patriots.

Throughout his ordeal Kusocinski refused to utter a word that might be of value to the enemy, says the report.

Kusocinski won the 10,000 metres race in 1932 in 30 mins 11.75 secs, which still stands as the Olympic record. The previous record was made by the great Finn, Paavo Nurmi, in the Games of 1928.

Kusocinski ran at White City, London, in 1934, and won the Harvey Memorial Cup—as the best athlete in the A.A.A. championship meeting of that year—for his victory in the three miles race in 14 mins 13.6 secs.

2. Scots 3. Middlesex. Signals and Combined Small Units were disqualified. Lost at this stage—Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex) 50ft 7ins; 2. L/Cpl Rowan (Small Units) 40ft 6ins; 3. Lieut. Hunter (Scots) 40ft 2ins; A. F. May (Y.M.C.A.) 40ft 2ins.
Diving—1. L/Cpl McReady (Scots); 2. Cpl Dixon (Small Units); 3. N. D. Bookar (Y.M.C.A.) and J. Hardy (Middlesex). 300 yards relay—1. A. C. Saunders, E. A. Roberts, E. F. Paul, C. Goldman, R. Larsen; 2. Small Units; 3. Scots; 4. Middlesex.
Water-polo game between Whites and Colours was drawn.
Results were:
50 yards—1. E. F. Paul (Y.M.C.A.); 2. 50ft Hunt (Small Units); 3. McHugh (Scots); 4. A. Smith (Middlesex). Time 22 3/5.
300 yards medley relay—1. Y.M.C.A. (N. D. Bookar, R. Maynard, G. Goldman, E. A. Roberts, W. S. Gegg, D. Hutchinson);

EUROPEAN "Y" WIN QUADRANGULAR AQUATIC GALA

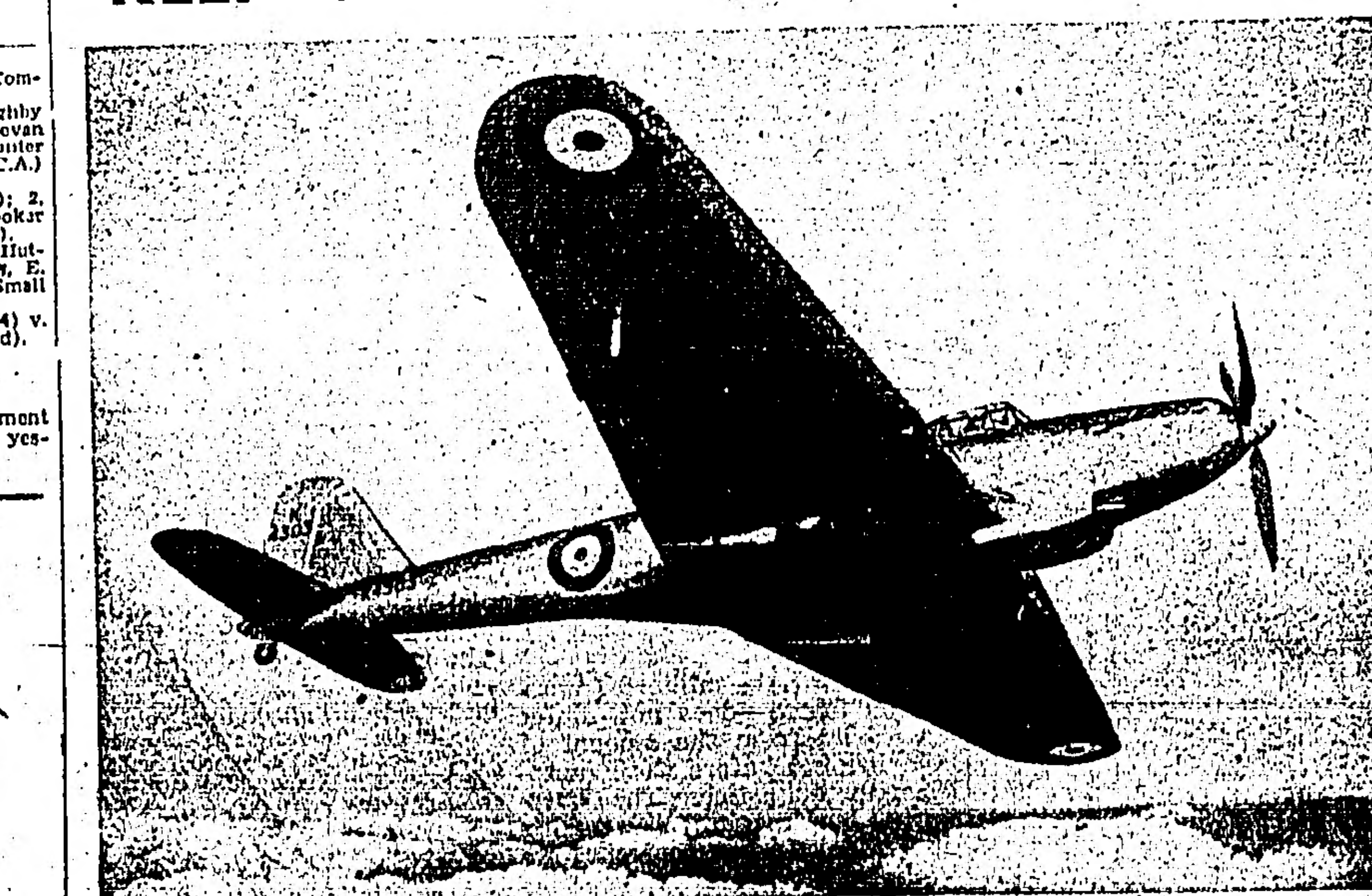
EUROPEAN "Y" took honours in the Quadrangular swimming gala held at the Y.M.C.A. last night, beating the Royal Scots by 22½ points to 18, with Small Units, 15, and Middlesex, 12½, taking third and last placings.

The programme was very short, there being only six events, and the "Y" took first place in both 200-yard relay and the 50 yards sprint.
With a plunge that bettered second by over 10 feet, Lieut. Willoughby (Middlesex) won the long plunge, and L/Cpl McReady (Royal Scots) was first in the diving.
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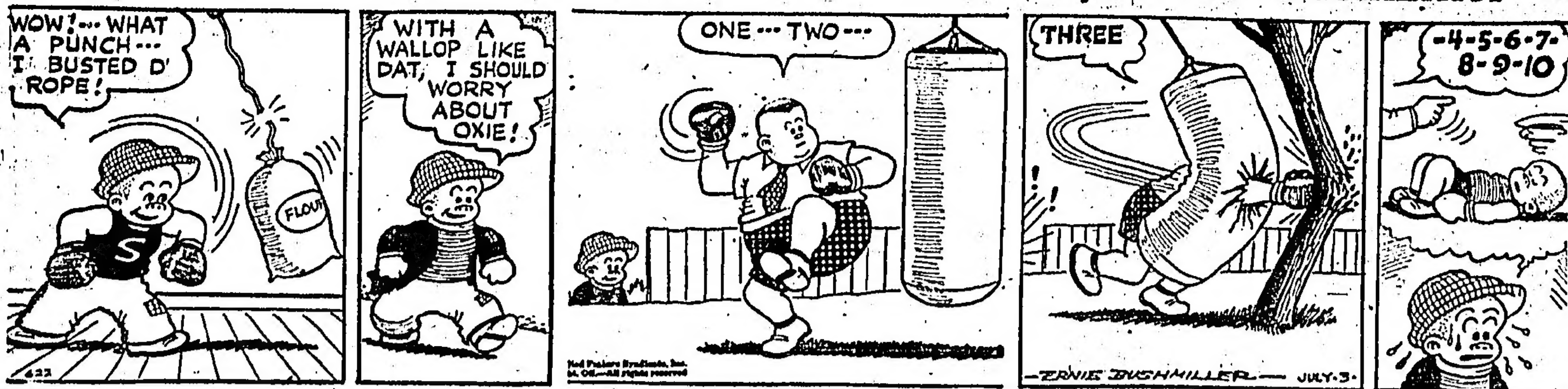
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Big Broadcasting Station For Macao

MACAO Aug. 21.—It was learned to-day that the R.C.A. Manufacturing Company, Inc. have signed a contract with the Radio Clube de Macao for the erection of a new high powered broadcasting station. The transmitter, which is of the very latest design, will have an output of 5 KW on one channel, or alternatively two separate programmes can be broadcast simultaneously with a transmitter output of 2½ KW on each programme.

The complete station will probably cost in the neighbourhood of \$200,000 and will include the erection of a new modern building which will have offices, club-rooms and three programmes and announce studios.

It is understood that the programme will be operated on commercial lines, similar to radio stations in the United States, and will include continuous broadcasts in English, Portuguese and Chinese over a period of 10 to 12 hours per day. It is also possible that transcription programmes from the National Broadcasting Company, which is affiliated with the Radio Corporation of America, will be broadcast, making available to Far East listeners some of the best of American and Latin American programmes.

Due to the fact that the new station will have approximately five times the power of the well-known Shanghai and Manila shortwave stations, it is expected that listeners as far away as Timor, Goa and Mozambique will be able to pick up the broadcasts without difficulty. Later it is planned to install a directional antenna for direct broadcasts to Portugal.

SUMMARY OF SOVIET WAR FRONTS

MILITARY COMMENTARY BY "ANALYST"

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The Germans to-day claim the capture of Narva, Novogorod and Kherson. The Russian communique speaks only of stubborn fighting at Odessa, Gomel and Novogorod.

The loss of Kherson was a foregone conclusion with the Germans ever-running the lower reaches of the west bank of the Dnieper. It is a considerable commercial port but could not be defended by improvised forces, especially as it is on the wrong side of the river.

Odessa A Tough Nut

On the other hand, the forces left behind in Odessa are fighting desperately and so far with success. It should prove a difficult nut to crack, especially as the Germans will probably attempt its reduction with the aid of Rumanian troops.

On the rest of the Ukrainian front, the situation has not altered materially and the passage of the Dnieper has not been forced. It will take some time for the German High Command to get together a sufficient striking force and all the paraphernalia required for an operation of this magnitude.

Leningrad Pressure

Besides, there are indications that the main attack has been switched back to the north once again with Leningrad for the objective. This offensive is now in full swing but is not likely to be as prolonged as the first two although it will be intensive while it lasts.

The Russians have still room to employ the cushion tactics that have proved so successful up to now, enabling them to absorb shock attacks without undue loss to themselves while exacting costly payment from the enemy.

Near Final Stand

They are, however, getting very near the region where they will be fighting with their backs to the wall in defence of the great industrial belt of Leningrad. Then they will not be able to yield any further, but it will remain to be seen whether the German blows will not have lost much of their weight.

A new German thrust is also developing in the central sector of the front between Smolensk and Kiev. It has met with local success but it is not yet clear whether the Germans will continue to drive eastwards towards Moscow or south-eastwards so as to menace the rear of Kiev.

Distributed Strength

The numbers engaged in these gigantic battles are so immense that it is obvious that even the Germans cannot put their maximum weight into all the fronts at once. But this sector is undoubtedly one to which they attach the most importance as it is directed against Moscow, and it is probable that they will make a desperate effort to effect that breach which has so far defied all their efforts.

Oil Tankers Available To Britain

WASHINGTON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Figures intended to show that Britain has an ample oil tanker fleet are being circulated in the United States apparently in a deliberate effort to confuse the public, and are "wholly and completely false," stated Mr. Ralph Davies, United States Deputy Co-ordinator replying to unofficial reports that it was unnecessary to transfer American tankers to Britain.

"The inadequacy of British and Allied tankers to fulfil the wartime task as indicated by conclusive evidence in our hands, is such as to warrant the transfer of American tankers to aid the transportation of oil," he declared. "No one should be deceived, hence every step taken having been essential in our judgment to the job of getting oil to the fighting fronts and thus protecting our own national security."

Mr. Davies said that reports that the British have ample tankers and that it is unnecessary to transfer American tankers to aid Britain "do not square with the detailed figures submitted by the British."

Mechanisation Of British Army

LONDON, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—"Covenanted," Britain's latest and fastest cruiser tanks, are probably the best-designed tank of their type in the world. Britain's armoured divisions are now equipped with many of this type as well as every description of fighting vehicles, trucks, cars and motor-cycles.

It has been suggested in German military circles that war has now reached such a high degree of technical perfection that it would be impossible in the comparatively short period of war itself to train men for such specialised fighting units, but the British Army has now many technical formations capable of their own game.

Speed And Gunfire

The latest British tanks have given even greater speed to the armoured divisions without diminishing their striking power and many of the lessons learnt in this present war are represented in the most recent models.

A typical division with its moving armoured G.H.Q., familiarly called "tin henries," and including the latest armoured trucks, has in addition to its own artillery, scout cars, a medical corps, anti-tank, anti-aircraft and infantry units.

CHINA SEEKS TO REVIVE SILK INDUSTRY

CHUNGKING, Aug. 22 (Central News).—A possible shortage of raw silk in the United States revives hopes of Chinese silk-producers who despite the war, have been trying to improve and increase silk production and find means to export it.

The Foreign Trade Commission spent \$1,700,000 in the latter half of last year and earlier half of this year to improve Szechwan silk and stimulate its production. The Women's Advisory Committee of the New Life Movement under the direction of Madame Chiang Kai-shek maintains experimental stations in west Szechwan cities to introduce new methods of raising silk-worms and controlling diseases. Other institutions too joined the silk production campaign.

Before the war, China's silk export went to Hongkong for transshipment to the United States, France, Italy and the South Seas. Since the war, most of China's silk goes to the United States, France, India, Burma and England. A portion of it goes to Japan from Shanghai where the Japanese have control over the situated in the occupied areas.

In the last few years the National Government has been promoting sericulture in the Southwest, especially Szechwan, and Yunnan and Kweichow. It has been reported that the Japanese have exported over the Burma Road.

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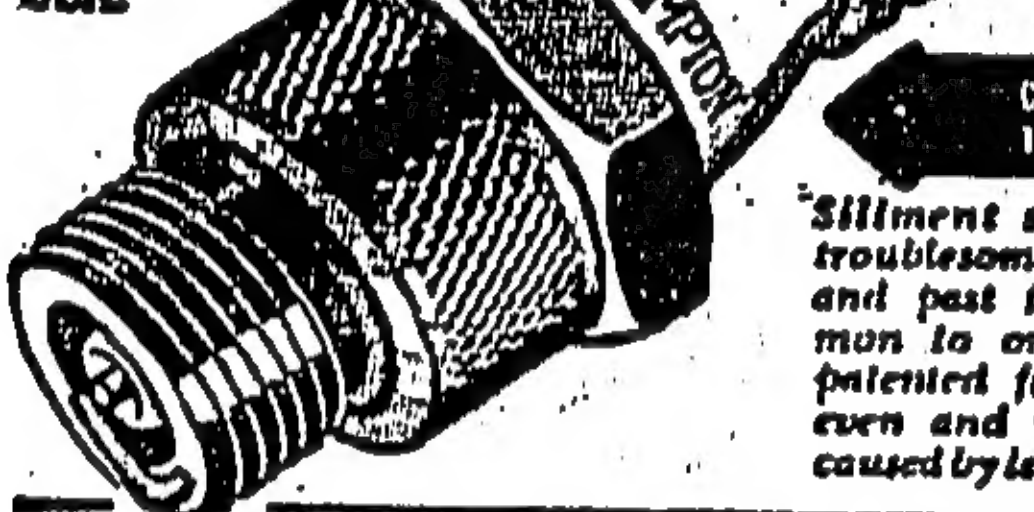
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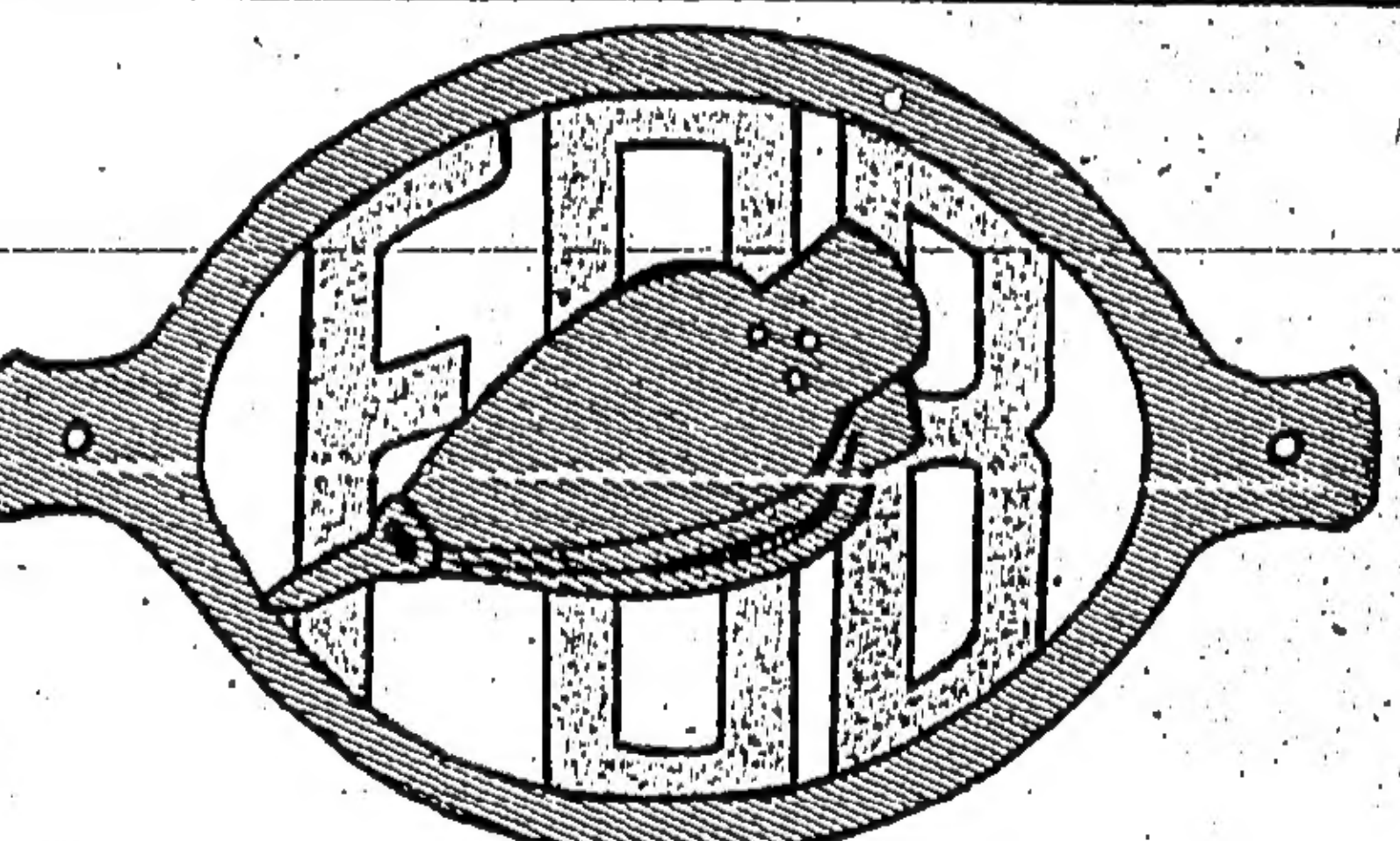
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S'hai Police Fire On Mob: One Man Killed

Special to the "Telegraph"

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (UP).—One was killed and three injured when police fired into a mob of strikers demonstrating on the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf late last night. A police riot squad dispersed the mob after making a number of arrests.

When the police party arrived at the wharf to disperse 300 striking Chinese wharf coolies, the Chinese turned on them with crow bars and hurled stones at the officers.

The police, in order to save themselves from serious injuries and

possible death, fired seven shots over the heads of the mob and also into them, killing one and wounding three.

Two foreign police officers were hurt, one suffering a dislocated shoulder and bruises, while Detective-Sergeant C. W. Kraide suffered bruises and cuts.

The coolies are striking for higher pay.



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small dams on the Dnieper but asserted that their efforts to destroy the tremendous one hundred million dollar dam near Dnepierstrov for the purpose of flooding the lower Dnieper valley and thereby impeding the German advance had failed on account of the immensity of the structure.

The Germans claim that the Russian losses during the two months of fighting totals 5,000,000 men. They asserted that the battle of Gomel on the north Ukrainian front has successfully ended after ten days of severe fighting in which it is claimed that they destroyed or defeated twenty five Russian divisions. The German northern drive is following a semi-circular course towards Leningrad where Marshal Voroshilov has urged the people to "rise to a man and crush the insolent arrogant foe."

Dnieper Dam Report

LONDON, Aug. 21 (UP).—Authoritative sources after a thorough investigation to-day announced that there was no confirmation to the reports that the Russians had dynamited the Dnieper dam; consequently, there is no indication of the threatened flooding of that vast area between Zaporozhe and the Black Sea.

Destruction of Warships

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—M. Lozovsky, Deputy Chief of the Information Bureau, denying German claims that they have captured an unfinished Russian battleship and other vessels at Nikolaiyev, said that the facts were that the unfinished and unengined battleship and a cruiser on the stocks were blown up by the Russians together with the shipyard.

Winter Campaign

ANKARA, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—German officers in Russia have received instructions from Berlin to tell the troops that the severity of the Russian winter is grossly exaggerated and that all the men need to withstand the rigours of winter is thick clothing plus valiniks (Russian felt boots) which are to be taken from the peasants.

These instructions, which I learn from an authoritative source, show that Hitler realizes that a winter campaign is inevitable and that his men are nervous about the winter.

Berlin Raided

MOSCOW, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—Russian planes raided Berlin last night, causing fires, says Moscow Radio.

It is also stated that Russian planes returned safely.

German Comparison

BERLIN, Aug. 21 (UP).—The official news agency claims that during the past five days the Luftwaffe shot down or destroyed on the ground on the eastern front 529 Soviet planes compared with the loss of ten German planes.

Russians Abandon Gomel

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who suffered disastrous losses, according to the Germans, in their attempt to carry out evacuation operations, and who are still trying to embark on transports.

Along the Dnieper, according to German informed quarters, the Germans are maintaining ceaseless pressure on the ever narrowing bridge-heads to the westwards. It is said that the Russians attempted to blow up the great Dnieperstrov dam which is now well within the range of the German artillery; however, owing to the terrific strength and the size of the dam, it proved to be impossible to destroy it although the Russians are believed to have succeeded in blowing up smaller dams further down the river causing a certain amount of flooding which may temporarily slow down the German advance.

Oil Fields Damaged

ISTANBUL, Aug. 21 (UP).—Arrivals from Constanza, the much bombed Rumanian oil port on the Black Sea, report that Russian air raids have tremendously damaged the Rumanian oil fields and pipelines causing a great loss in oil products.

LETTERS

Cruelty To Pigeon

The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—It has been brought to our notice that a member of the Public Colony a live pigeon, which was let loose and the guests were invited to catch it, the person catching it being given a prize. Immediately the matter was brought to the notice of the management, the Manager took steps to prevent its recurrence.

I am instructed by my Committee to point out that amusements of this nature are cruel, and to ask members of the Public to co-operate with the Society in trying to prevent similar so-called forms of amusement and to say that the Society will be most grateful to anybody who will let us know either of any proposal for so-called entertainment of this nature or of similar incidents.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
W. REES HARRIS,
Secretary.

WAR WAGES AND COST OF LIVING

LONDON, Aug. 21 (British Wireless).—The instruction to take steps to bring war wage advances into line with the increased cost of living which yesterday's delegate conference of Transport and General Workers' Union gave its executive, represents a move in the disputed question of the method by which the stabilization of wages and prices can be secured, which is occupying the attention of both the Government and leaders of organised labour.

The Transport and General Workers' Union is one of the largest Unions in industry and is represented solely or in conjunction with other Unions on wage negotiation machinery in a great many industries.

Bevin Supports

Addressing the conference on Monday, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Bevin who has devoted many years to the creation of this Union, made it clear that the Government were determined on its policy of wage stabilization which policy he had himself opposed until the Government decided to stabilize prices, and he stressed the view that the workers' own interests are always injured by the fact that the rise in prices will always outstrip the rise in wages.

Hitler Suspected

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sion on a new front. Secondly, it is likely that the Iranian balloon will go up shortly.

Italy After Croatia?

Helsinki.—The "Afton Bladet," Berlin correspondent states that it is unconfirmedly learned from private sources that Italy sent an ultimatum to Croatia, marched in during the forenoon and occupied the towns of Dubrovnik and Kraljevic despite Croatian resistance.

Officials say that there is no confirmation to the rumour. The same sources, declared Italian circles in Berlin, believe that Mussolini will soon proceed to the eastern front to meet Hitler.

Mary Anderson's 'Sunshine'

Mme Mary Anderson de Navarro—Mary Anderson, the Shakespearean actress—who died in May last year aged 80, left the bulk of her £15,970 estate to her son, Jose M. de Navarro.

In her will, she said: "I desire to express my love, gratitude and admiration to him who has been our sunshine."

GUENTHER STEIN

The China Air Mail, a fortnightly news-letter service on Far Eastern Affairs, announces that owing to the illness of its Editor, Mr. Guenther Stein, publication will be delayed for several weeks.

Mr Stein is in the War Memorial Hospital here.

Nazi Girls' Labour Camp Was No Lark

Helen Hiett, former NBC foreign correspondent who now broadcasts in the U.S.A. was interviewed recently by Joan Ellis over the radio on her experiences in a Nazi labour camp for girls.

Miss Hiett joined the labour camp in Berlin to get first-hand information on how the camps were run.

"We were up at 5 a.m.," Miss Hiett recalled; "washed by throwing pails of water on each other and at 6 a.m. were on the fields. The food was bad, mainly potatoes, although the Nazis would boast about how the girls gained weight while in these labour battalions. You had to gain weight, cause all you ate was potatoes."

"The worst thing though, and the reason I finally had to resign, was the propaganda. You'd get back to the bunkhouse at night just exhausted; too tired to sleep. While in this condition the propaganda would start."

"It would drum at you, from loudspeakers and speakers, and soon you'd find yourself believing it. You were tired, exhausted and couldn't fight it. It would creep into your subconscious mind."

"When I found myself repeating it, I got out."

NOBEL WINNER URGES YOUTHS TO BE CURIOUS

SCIENECTADY, N. Y. (UP).—A summer job is the best way for a boy to find his life work. In the opinion of a Nobel prize winner, Dr. Irving Langmuir, whose discoveries made possible the gas-filled incandescent lamp, the high-vacuum electronic tube and atomic hydrogen welding.

"It takes many young men quite some time to become oriented and started on their careers," he explained. "The boys who devote their summer vacations to discovering their own interests and abilities are just so far ahead of those who, after they are graduated, flounder from job to job until they find the work for which they are best suited."

Here is Dr. Langmuir's formula for success: "Train yourselves. Don't wait to be fed knowledge out of a book. Get out and seek it. Make explorations. Do your own research work. Train your hands and your mind. Become curious."

An amateur flier, the scientist believes that opportunities in aviation development will be "boundless" for youth. He predicts that aviation will progress tremendously after the war.

LATE NEWS

Axis Evacuees From Manila

SIANGHAI, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—The French liner Marechal Joffre arrived here from Manila this morning with over 300 Japanese, German and Italian evacuees from the Philippines.

It is reported that the majority of Japanese are travelling to Japan, but the Axis refugees are remaining here. It is revealed that the ship was subjected to the most stringent search before her departure from Manila.

Lady Northcote Returning

It is announced by Government House that Lady Northcote is expected to return to the Colony early next week, and that she will attend social engagements with His Excellency on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday next.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 21 (Reuter).—A call for President Roosevelt to propose and Congress to approve a declaration of war against the Axis nations is made in the "New Republic," one of America's foremost liberal weeklies.

There is a chance, the magazine says, of "immediate and complete" victory over Hitler if the United States, Russia and Britain launch a combined assault. America, it asserts, is better prepared to fight as well.

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